



Living in this World with Cut & Paste

- Part 3 -

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CHAPTER 79

LET'S GIVE HIM A NAME!

We who have been commanded to breakup the discussion, headed to the room which we will stay in until the marriage ceremony.

As we entered the room, we drank the black tea a maid brought while relaxing. This black tea is probably... a high grade item which I have never drank in my whole life.

I do not understand the taste of an expensive black tea. Immediately after I opened up about my secret, I am honestly worried what kind of attitude the two of them will take with me.

...This isn't the time to be savouring black tea, huh.

As I was worrying...

[Don't worry—, I'll be with you—! Gao—!], said the little Fenrir, as he once again patted my head.

...Seeing that kid, my worrying feels idiotic, doesn't it!

Didn't both of them say it before! That they'll be my allies no matter what happens. It'll definitely be alright, what am I doing, not trusting those girls!

Un, let's cheer up! It'll definitely be alright with the two of them!!

“...Phew, that surprised me”

Sylphy started talking.

“I'm sorry, for keeping quiet...”

As I became crestfallen and apologised, Sylphy flustered and waved her hands, and talked to me.

“No, that’s not true! I’m not blaming Danna-sama.
I’m simply surprised greatly, there isn’t any deeper meaning to it! Please understand!”

“That’s right, it’s true that we’re surprised, but... it’s not like Myne-kun changed or anything”

Both Sylpy and Aisha seem as if they didn’t mind.

“...Are you not scared of me?”

As I timidly asked that,

“Why is there a need for us to be scared?”

“Eh? Why?”

And, both of them made puzzled faces.

“Eh? After all, I might take your Skills away, right?”

As I said that, both of them once again looked at each others’ faces before saying “Aah, that’s the case” at the same time.

“I’ve said this previously, didn’t I? That I will not betray you no matter what... I will be your ally my whole life”

“I don’t mind at all either, you know?

Although it’s a marriage which started as a tradition of the royal family, it’s natural to be Danna-sama’s ally after we are married.

...That’s right, let’s talk about countermeasures as a family”

Huh? Even though I’ve made a great resolution and opened up... Isn’t this a little too anti-climatic?

However, both of them said that they will trust me, didn’t they?

Somehow, I feel really happy.

Mn, Mnn, somehow... my eyes are getting blurry by itself...

[Don’t cry—, don’t cry—!If Myne cries I also feel like crying—]

The little Fenrir got down from my head, and licked my face.
As if he's wiping up the tears streaming out of its own accord.

Seeing that I have calmed down, the little Fenrir once again said "Heave-ho, heave-ho" and moved to the top of my head.

When the little Fenrir climbed onto my head, I expressed gratitude to my two fiancées and my cute partner.

"You're welcome"

"This is natural, don't mind it"

"Wafu!"

They each replied to my thanks.

Then, my two fiancées who heard the little Fenrir's reply once again took a long hard look at the little Fenrir.

"...Hey, Myne-kun. What's this kid's name?"

"Yeah, I am certainly curious about his name"

That's right! I wanted to discuss his name with these two! Good timing, let me ask them!

"No, he doesn't have a particular name.

That's why I thought that we should give him one, but he will become a part of our family, so I wanted to ask for your opinions"

[Name—?]

[That's right, your name, would you like a cool name or a cute one?]

[Mn—, anything is okay—!]

Un, I was an idiot for asking.

He originally lived in the wild so he isn't really familiar with names, huh.

Both of them heard my conversation with the little Fenrir, but I wonder what they think of it.

As I looked at both of their expressions, their eyes seem to be sparkling as they were thinking of something.

...Aisha's definitely thinking of a cute one, while Sylphy's thinking of a cool one, huh.

As I said anything's good, I took the little Fenrir who had been fidgeting down from my head.

I then hugged him while approaching those two.

"I think the name Fenrir's good enough though?"

"What are you saying, Hime-sama! He's such a cute kid, you know!
I firmly nominate Koro!"

"Nonono, he's a Divine Beast, you know? How about Shin!? Isn't it cool!" (*TLN: Divine Beast = Shinjuu*)

"No! Koro, Koro is better! Even if it's Hime-sama, I will not yield!"

Somehow, it's become really heated...

"...Wafu?"

"Danna-sama, Danna-sama! Shin's good, isn't it?"

"Myne-kun! It should be Koro, right!? Koro's better right!!"

Aah, I got dragged into this...

As I was worrying, the little Fenrir opened his mouth and yawned as if it was someone else's business.

"Wafuuuuu~~~~"

Hm? Wait a minute.

I think I might have thought of something?

“Hey, the two of you... How’s “Waffle”?” (TLN: Waffuru)

As I said that, the two who had been quarrelling suddenly stopped.

“...This kid’s always barking “Wafu”, isn’t he?

Since “Wafu” doesn’t sound good for some reason, I attached a character and made it a little cuter...”Wafuru”

How is it? I think it’s quite good though...”

As I said that, the little Fenrir’s tail wagged wildly as he said “WafuWafuー!”, and looked like he was pleased with it.

“Somehow, this kid looks like he’s pleased with it, isn’t he?”

“...If the person himself is pleased with it, that would be the best, huh”

Both of them seem to agree on it.

I held the little Fenrir and brought it in front of my eyes.

“Is Waffle okay?”

[Wafu! Okayー!]

The little Fenrir waved his hand, his tail swinging wildly, and accepted the name.

Thus, the little Fenrir’s name has been decided to be “Waffle”.

Please take care of me from now on! Waffle!!

Huh, I seem to have hallucinated and heard something.

...”Pochi”... I wonder what that means?

CHAPTER 80

THE SECOND DIVINE BEAST

“...I never expected [Cut & Paste] to have such a power”

Lewis whispered.

That ability is certainly outside of my expectations.

During the mock battle, I thought that his battle style was strangely reliant on Skills, but after knowing his ability, I can now understand that.

If at that time, Myne stole my Skills, and made full use of the Skills he has, there is no doubt I would have lost.

However, from now on, if he becomes close to royalty, Myne’s enemies wouldn’t only have physical power.

I don’t think there will be honey traps, but it’s possible that he might be assassinated when he’s unprepared or something.

Even in an inter-personal battle, there’s no doubt that he is still inexperienced.

Just as I promised, I’ll have to give him lessons ahead of time, huh.

“...Ani-sam, is he really safe?”

As I worked out Myne’s combat training from now on, Lewis asked me worriedly.

“...I too am a little worried” *(TLN: Instead of watashi, she uses watakushi, a more formal version)*

Hm? Ari too?

Well, certainly, if you think of “only his ability”, you might be worried.

Those Skills are a unique ability Kami-sama bestowed.

Before one realises it, there’s a possibility it might be taken away.

It's not impossible to feel uneasy, huh.

...On the contrary, it's weird for people like me who doesn't worry about it.

"You guys, there's no need to worry.

Calmly think, if Myne felt like stealing our Skills, he'd have stolen it a long time ago, wouldn't he?"

""... Ah""

If you calmly think about it, you can understand.

If someone who thinks about his uneasiness like Lewis and Ari has such a power...
There probably isn't any alternatives but to quickly steal the Skills in front of them.

For you see, their opponents will be weakened, and their own ability increases.
Like that, there isn't even a need to think about the consequences.

If you think and applied this to Myne, you will understand.

Firstly, if he plans to plunder Skills, there isn't a need to tell us about his abilities like this time at all.

He could have quickly stolen our Skills, and killed us, and escape using the Skill he showed us when he invited the Divine Beast.

On top of that, Myne has a Divine Beast as his backer.

A human who can defeat an Orc King single-handedly and the Divine Beast Fenrir, it's the most abnormal combination.

No matter what kind of military is sent to this combination as an opponent, they'll be able to defeat them, right?

That is, if you simply compare their present battle power, there isn't a reason for Myne to hold back on that.

Even so, Myne opened up to us about his ability.

His purpose in getting a Divine Beast as his backer is also not to threaten us, but rather to mentally insure that it will end without hostility.

Therefore, what he have to do is to believe in Myne, and deepen our friendship.
I think that is enough.

As I conveyed my thoughts to both of them, they didn't come to a clean decision, but they showed calmer expressions than before.

"Nee-san has gotten an outrageous person as her spouse, huh...

Well, a cooperation has been decided between Nee-san's Clan and mine, so rather, since he is that strong a person, I can look forward to the materials he sells to us, huh"

Lewis seems like he has regained enough composure to crack jokes.

"...That's true, we can just easily act to support Myne as royalty.

If he stands out from now on, no matter what there will be nobles who think of bad things, after all..."

Yosh, with this, my little brother and sister will probably be alright.

After this, if we deepen our friendship with Myne, it will naturally be settled.

I then once again switch over my thoughts to how I should train Myne.



[The child dragon Myne said... isn't someone else's problem, huh.

I'll lend you a little of my power, I can understand the emotions of having your child separated from you]

When I went out for a short while, my own children was abducted by humans.

The children who have never seen a human before approached them out of curiosity, those annoying slave collars were attached on them.

Noticing the fact that my children have been kidnapped from their cries, I hurriedly chased after a few humans and ended them.

It's good that I finally caught up to them, but a human who had been cornered stabbed my cute boy with a dagger.

That feeling of loss and rage... just recalling it disturbs my heart.

The dragon parent who had its child abducted is probably experiencing the same

emotions.

Originally, it probably isn't something I should intervene.

However, I want to somehow help it as a parent who also had her children taken from her.

[Speaking of dragons, I might understand something if I ask Jormungandr]

Jormungandr, a Divine Beast who like me, has been entrusted with the duty of safeguarding this land by God.

The supreme being who rules the Dragon race, and my younger brother.

[Jor, can you hear me? Jor... It's me, Fenrir]

[Hm? Oh, Fen-nee? It's been a long time, I'm busy with something right now, is it something urgent?]

[...I think it's probably related to the reason you're busy]

I told Jormungandr about the fact that my children had been abducted, my meeting with Myne, and everything related to it.

As I did that, as expected, the reason he is busy is exactly the kidnapping of the little dragon.

[Nuu, those humans... They're beyond help, reaching out their hand even Fen-nee's children.

It might better to destroy them once]

[Calm down, fortunately, thanks to Myne, my children are safe.

However, I am also feeling bitter, sympathising with the feelings of the dragon who had its child kidnapped.

Right now, Myne is moving to rescue the child, so I will assist him]

I promised that if I get hold of the child's whereabouts, I will immediately contact Jor, and ended the telepathy.

Next, I'll have to tell Myne about the details we've arranged.

[...Myne... answer me]

[Yes! Fenrir-sama!]

I told Myne about the thing to be done, and requested that the child will quickly be returned to the dragon parent, even if only a little faster...



...As expected, that's the most reliable method, huh.

I think it's alright, but I have to take the possibility of getting rejected into account.

"Order the First Knight Unit to immediately head towards Adol!!!"

I ordered the knight leader, and dispatched the knight unit to the Town of Adol. Every minute and every second counts, a delay in decision may possibly cause fatal wounds.

While following the back of the knight leader who was running until he was out of sight, I myself started to mobilise.

My destination... Myne, my daughter's husband's room.

"Excuse me, it's me, Faren. I'm entering"

I sent a maid to announce them beforehand, and immediately my daughter came to greet me.

Entering my daughter and the others' living room, I couldn't see Myne's figure.

"Sylphy, what's Myne doing?"

"Aah, Danna-sama is..."

At the moment my daughter opened her mouth, Myne appeared from the neighbouring room.

"Myne, I'm sorry, but won't you lend me your power?"

...I know the place they hid the dragon's child, but it is extremely far.

Every minute is precious, so won't you go and rescue it with the travel method you showed us just now?

It's not for my selfish desires, but to save the innocent citizens... Won't you please?"

As I lowered my head, Myne told me to raise my head in a panic.

If just this lowering of my head can save the lives of the innocent citizens, then it is cheap price to pay.

"I will cooperate! That's why, please raise your head! King-sama!
Moreover, I have been told that Fenrir-sama will also cooperate.
Where is the little dragon right now?"

Divine Beast-sama will cooperate!? I am thankful for that above all else.
If Myne also cooperates, this problem is destined to be solved.

"...It is at the Town of Labyrinth, Adol"

CHAPTER 81

EXTRICATION DRAMA

“...It is in the Town of Labyrinth, Adol”

The location of the little dragon King-sama informed me is the Town of Labyrinth, Adol, where I just went the other day with Aisha.

Thank goodness. The only places [Unique Magic • Space-time] can go to are places I have been to, after all.

If it was a town I don't know, I wouldn't be able to cooperate.

“Understood! Adol, is it! Thank goodness.
I can't travel to a place I have never been to before so...”

“Mm, is that so?”

After being surprised from hearing that fact, King-sama felt relieved.
If one is unlucky, it would take two days to arrive at Adol from the royal capital.

Certainly, with not much leeway time-wise, King-sama can't afford to care about appearances.
I really get flustered if someone suddenly lowers their head.

“Divine Beast-sama said that she will cooperate, meaning?”

Aah, that's right. I haven't explained it in detail, have I?

“Fenrir-sama also had her children kidnapped.
Since it isn't somebody else's problem, so she sympathises with the dragon parent...
I was told that the Divine Beast who is Fenrir-sama's little brother, governs the dragon race, so she wants to confirm the situation”

I told King-sama about the things Fenrir-sama just told me about.

“...Wait a minute, what did you just say?”

“Fenrir-sama sympathises with the dragon...”

“No, not that. The one after that”

Hm? What is it, I wonder?

What I said after that... The Divine Beast who is Fenrir-sama’s little brother?

“The Divine Beast who is Fenrir-sama’s little brother...”

“...That. Divine Beast-sama’s little brother, you say?

Why did it became that serious a matter...”

Glancing at King-sama who is feeling dumbfounded from the appearance of a new Divine Beast-sama from the corner of my eyes, I sent a telepathic message to Fenrir-sama.

[I have discovered the little dragon’s place.

It seems to be in the Town of Adol, I will be heading there now]

Yosh, I’ve finished contacting her! Let’s quickly go there.

It’d be bad if I jump right into the town, so let’s connect to a place a little further from it.

“Now then, I’ll be leaving! Waffle, come on”

As I said that, Waffle said “Wafu!”, ran and jumped towards me.

Sylphy called out to me as I was gently catching Waffle in my arms.

“Danna-sama, should we follow you?”

“Uun, since I have to go against the dragon in the worst case, please wait here.

If it’s just Waffle and I, I don’t think you need to think too much!”

As I said that, Sylphy made an expression of slight regret, but she pulled back when she heard about a fight with a dragon.

“Myne-kun, we’ll make delicious food while we wait fo ryou, so take care”

Aisha sent me off with a smile.

I waved my hand to my two fiancées, and used [Unique Magic • Space-time].

Now then, I should hurry.

“I’ll be going!”



[T, this is bad, Nee-san!]

[What’s the matter? Aren’t you quite panicked, Jor?]

I’ve just been contacted by Myne, telling me that he had found the whereabouts of the little dragon, so I immediately relayed the information to Jor.

The parent should be a little more relieved, yes, relieved... but, the situation seems to be somewhat strange.

[The parent dragon flew out to meet it!

From the looks of it, it might attack the human town]

What did he say!?

This matter is certainly the fault of the humans.

Usually, I wouldn’t be that surprised, but this time, it has promised not to attack Myne and the human town.

For that, Myne did so much.

[What are you doing! Call him back immediately!!]

[If I could do that, I would have done it long ago! If I go out, it’d be worse!!]

My goodness, Myne is heading to that town right now.

No matter how abnormal Myne is, he’ll be at a disadvantage with a dragon as his opponent.

Kuh, it's not the case for Jor, but it's impossible for me to go out.
I predicted wrongly, I should contact Myne since he's securing the young.

[Myne, do you hear me? The dragon parent is coming towards you!
I fear that it may become a battle, you don't have to force yourself.
Think only for your own safety, alright!]

...Although I warned him, with that kid's personality, he probably won't protect only himself.
Good grief, what should I do!

Don't die, Myne!



[Wa, Wafuu~]

Hearing my conversation with Fenrir-sama, Waffle instinctively tucked its tail under between its legs.

[...Even if she says she fears it will become a battle with a dragon...
For now, Waffle, let's help save the dragon child from the Town of Adol and pull out]

If I use [Unique Magic • Space-time] at the last moment to a place I can see, I think I can pull away even from a dragon as an opponent.

The town of Adol might disappear if Waffle and I went with all our power and the dragon struggles...

...Ah!? Wait a minute.
[Waffle, I thought of a good idea... Umm]

After my strategy meeting with Waffle ended, I quickly made the preliminary arrangements.
Then, I who finished my preliminary arrangements, ran towards Adol.

“What I heard from Ou-sama is that rather than the middle of the town, it seems to be imprisoned in a slave dealer's storehouse in a place beside the labyrinth, but...

I don't know the exact place...

Once we go near it, we can only gamble on Waffle's perception ability and [Presence Detection • Large], huh"

I've done all I can! Firstly, we'll have to hurry to the Town of Adol!

The last time I came with Aisha, there were quite a lot of people standing in line even though we entered the town, but we don't have much time this time.

I ran towards the gatekeeper-san and showed him the free pass I received from Ou-sama, and entered the Town of Adol.

It's a place I just came to the other day.

I roughly understand the place the storehouse I have been told is at.

Waffle and I run through the town.

Aah, as expected, Waffle ran on its own feet as well.

We who were sprinting in the town received attention from the residents and adventurers, but I don't have any time to care about that.

The dragon parent will approach soon.

"...We're here! It's around here!"

Without a moments delay, I used [Presence Detection • Large], and examined the area.

[...It's here—, found it—!!!]

"This large presence, that's it!!"

Waffle and I discovered it at the same time.

I don't have time to take it leisurely, I've even received permission from Ou-sama!
Let's break into it and gain control in one go!

As Waffle and I opened the door of the building the little dragon is thought to be locked up in... It was locked.

...This damn thing———!!! I put all my strength into pushing the door, and the door opened along with a violent sound of destruction.

Un, it opened.
It definitely did not break, okay! It opened.

...It's definitely because my level increased, huh...

“W, What was that!!”

A man who I think is an adventurer hired by the slave dealer carried a weapon as he came out from the back.

This is a waste of time!! I used [Support Magic • Sleep] and put him to sleep.

[It seems to be below us—!]

As I put the adventurers to sleep one by one, Waffle located the little dragon.
...There's a staircase over there, huh. As I took a look around my surroundings, I could see the stairs which lead down to the basement.

There isn't anymore adventurers heading towards me.
...All of them are sleeping on the floor peacefully so it can't be helped.

We ran down the stairs in one go and burst into the basement!

...It's there.

It pitifully... had a slave collar attached to it, and locked up in a cage.

Hm? Wait a minute.
The colour of this kid's body, isn't it black??

Don't tell me... It's the child of a black dragon!!!!?
This is bad, this is really bad!!!

The black dragon is ranked first or second among the dragon species in terms of wildness of their temperament.
They said it'll be your end if you meet a fire dragon or a black dragon...

[Waffle, can you talk to this kid? Can you tell it we're here to save it?]

[Understood—!Leave it to me—!]

As Waffle said that, he trotted and approached the cage, but talked to the little dragon, saying “Gau Gau”.

After five minutes, [Wafu, I’ve finished explaining! Rejoice!]

Mn, thank goodness.
The first step is over.

I used [Unique Magic • Space-time] at the lock attached to the entrance of the cage and sent it flying.
This magic is really convenient.

Confirming that the lock is gone, as I opened the door, the little dragon lumbered out from it.

[Waffle, I’ll remove the collar so tell this kid not to move]

Waffle once again used “Gau Gau” to talk to the little dragon.

[It’s good—, Myne]

I’ll have to be careful like when I removed Waffle and the others’ collars...
Yosh, it’s off!

As I rubbed the little dragon’s head, it happily made a [Guu] sound.

[In any case, let’s escape]

I once again used [Unique Magic • Space-time], to outside the town.
I connected the space to the place I jumped out to from the royal capital.

The little dragon gazed at my actions with deep interest, and beside him Waffle seems to be explaining with “Gau Gau”.

[Yosh, it’s connected! Get in]

Firstly, Waffle barked “Wafu—” while jumping into the black vortex. After that, the little dragon jumped into it timidly.

Lastly, I jumped out, escape complete!

I earsed the vortex immediately after transferring, and took a breath.

[Myne—, it seems like we don’t have time to rest—]

Hm? I looked in the direction Waffle was staring at.

It’s in the direction of Adol, huh... Ah...

Yes, what aappeared in the skies of Adol, is this kid’s dragon parent.

It was the figure of an extremely troubling black dragon who has lost its reasoning.

CHAPTER 82

THE BATTLE AT ADOL (1)

Name: Black Dragon
LV: 96
Race: Dragon Species
Gender:

[Skills]
Terror Bite
Horrible Roar

[Ability]
Flame Bullet
Flight

Aah, as expected, it's really outrageous...
Especially these two, they're outstandingly extreme.

[Terror Bite]: Large damage to the attacked opponent, and causes panic status at a fixed probability.

[Horrible Roar]: Cancels all enhancements on the target(s).

Un, it'll be okay if I return them later.
Let's steal them.

For now, I'll [Cut] the [Terror Bite] [Horrible Roar] [Flame Bullet]
And [Paste] them on Waffle.

[I've become stronger—!]

Since it'd be bad if it loses its ability to fly, and fall because I steal its Flight, I decided to steal it after we pulled away from Adol.

Since the dragon doesn't seem to have noticed us, I'll have to first guide it here.

I used [Incitement] on the dragon, and diverted its attention towards me.

Ah, seems like it noticed me! It's coming here with a really great force.
It roared quite loudly, so the people in Adol probably noticed it.

It'll definitely become an uproar, won't it...

Yosh, in that case, let's escape!

I once again moved to a place away from Adol using [Unique Magic • Space-time].

Since it's a means of transferring my connecting the space, the black dragon saw that we suddenly disappeared from its sight.

In actuality, we circled around the area we were at, so I don't think there's any doubt it lose sight of us.

Yosh, [Incitement], once more!

After repeating [Unique Magic • Space-time] and [Incitement] over and over, we were able to pull quite a distance away from the Town of Adol.
It went according ot plan, but...

...I feel like it's considerably angry compared to before.
It definitely wouldn't listen to me at all, huh...

Sigh, we can only fight, huh.

Yosh, in that case, the finishing touches!

I cut [Flight], and once again pasted it on Waffle.
Super Waffle is born!

Losing its Skill, the black dragon then fell from quite the high altitude.
It probably doesn't have any idea what had just happened.

I actually pasted a lot of the abilities and Skills I've pasted on pebbles and hoarded on Waffle.

After I heard about the dragon's invasion from Divine Beast Fenrir-sama, I thought of powering up Waffle, obtained Waffle's consent and pasted them.

This is Waffle's ability right now.

Name: Waffle

LV: 31

Race: Divine Beast

Gender:

Status: Tame (Myne)

[Skill]

Divine Beast Twinstrike

Magic Eye of Gravity

Regeneration

Strong Arm • Extreme

Body Enhancement • Small

Strength Rise

Terror Bite

Horrible Roar

[Ability]

Great Howl<<Wose-Kamui>>

Strong Legs

Petrifaction

Flying Feather

Venom Spray

Paralysis Breath

Flame Bullet

Levitation

Flight

Camouflage

It'll be doubtful if I'm the one saying it, but he's become quite amazing, hasn't he?
He's exactly "Super Waffle"!

Right now, the black dragon has become unable to fly.

I will attack on the ground, and Waffle will attack from the skies.

I think that no matter how high-ranking a dragon is, as long as it has lost its Skills and not letting it home in, it will be an equal match.

“Now then, let’s go! Waffle!!

I think that once we beat it, it will probably agree to discuss.

However, you don’t have to force yourself, if things go awry, we can just escape!”

Even if we escape, I don’t think it will attack Adol.

To the dragon parent, it probably thinks that kidnapped its child.

It definitely wouldn’t be able to find us after we escape, so I think it’ll return to its dwelling after a while.

As long as it returns to its dwelling, I will leave the persuasion to Fenrir-sama and her little brother, and once it calms down, I can just return its child then, right?

If I can defeat it here, I can explain the situation, and just heal its wounds.

Since that’s the case, operation start!

I’ll have to carefully pay attention while fighting it!

If I don’t, I’ll get laughed at by Waffle.

The black dragon who lost its Skills and fell from the skies doesn’t seem like it has received much damage.

On the contrary, it was raging, and rushed towards me after discovering me.

I cast as many self enhancements as I can, and sent out the first attack.

[Magic Eye of Shock]

Its power isn’t that high, but it’s a Skill which can be ran continuously without much preparation.

There probably aren’t any attacks more suitable at attracting attention than this.

The dragon who had been rushing over directly received [Magic Eye of Shock] over and over, and finally stopped.

“Wafu!”

At that chance, Waffle used [Flight] and soar in the skies.

He then used the Fenrir Skill, [Magic Eye of Gravity], and released it at the black dragon.

[Magic Eye of Gravity]: Activated voluntary on opponent(s) on one’s preferred timing. The target(s) who receives this Skill, their bodies will receive a burden from strong gravity.

The higher the user’s level from the target(s), the stronger the effects, and the longer it will last.

It’s originally a Skill which greatly inhibits an opponent’s movements, but unfortunately, Waffle and the black dragon’s gap in levels is big, and the effect isn’t that strong.

He let out a feeble “Wafuu...” since he didn’t obtain the effect he wanted.

However, it’s not like there wasn’t any effects at all.

I used [Vitality Absorption • Large LV2], with [Sorcery Extremity] stacked on it, on the black dragon whose movements have become dull.

The Skill called Vitality Absorption is a Skill which greatly absorbs the vitality of the target and passes it onto the user, me.

This battle isn’t a simple battle where it will end if I kill the monster like the battles up until now.

This battle’s aim is to do our best in calming it down to return the little dragon.

If that’s the case, then doesn’t this Skill comply with the objective?

It doesn’t inflict any injuries, and as long as I don’t overdo it, it will only become sluggish.

Next is Waffle’s attack... or so I thought, as the black dragon swung its tail at me, and tries to hit me.

...It’s no use, its attack speed is faster than I thought.

I can’t dodge it, in that case!!! I’ll let it pass through me with [Absolute Evasion]!!!

Although it's only for thirty seconds... no physical attacks will hit me!!!

Thanks to [Absolute Evasion], the black dragon's tail which was approaching me passed through my body.

As it did that, I could see Waffle, who had been soaring in the skies, overlapping [Strength Rise] [Body Enhancement • Small][Strong Arm • Extreme][Terror Bite].

“Waffu, fuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuu!!”

Waffle's strong ramming attack directly hit the black dragon.
A dull sound of impact resounded around the surroundings.

As expected of a Divine Beast's child.

Although he had overlapped a few Skills, that small body was able to make the dragon stagger.

The [Terror Bite] I stole from the black dragon also seems to be quite strong.

Then, aiming at the chance when it's staggering, I once again used [Vitality Absorption • Large] with [Sorcery Extremity] stacked onto it, and absorbed its vitality.

As expected from the second [Vitality Absorption • Large].

Moreover, because it immediately followed the ramming attack with Waffle's full might, there was an immediate result.

It seems to have gotten considerably weakened.

I used [Earthquake] which the catfish used, and delivered damage little by little.
...However, when I thought “It should be defeated now, right!?”, an unexpected event occurred.

Although I stole its Skills and Ability...

Somehow, the black dragon fired a “blaze” towards me.

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Although I stole its Skills and abilities...
Somehow, the black dragon fired a “blaze” towards me.

“Eh?”

Why can he...?

Because it was an attack I completely did not expect, I couldn’t even do anything, and received the attack directly.

I then tumbled down to the ground.

...No good... My consciousness...

[Myne――――, Myne――――!!Don’t die――――!!!]

...I can hear Waffle’s voice.

I’m sorry, Waffle.

You’ll have to escape alone...

[Waffu!!!! I won’t let you lay even a finger on Myne!!!]

For the sake of protecting me, Waffle stood alone in the dragon’s way.

To make his small body look bigger, even if only by a little, he growled while intimidating the dragon.

It’s no use, no matter how strong Waffle has become, if he gets hit by the blaze like I did, he’ll definitely get done in.

Even if he has [Regeneration]...

That’s right! If I stick [Ultra Regeneration] and [Regeneration] onto myself...!

Quickly, while Waffle is buying time... It's no use... I can't put any strength into my body.

I can't take out the pebble from my storage bag.

[Myne—, take [Regeneration] from me—!!Don't die—!Quickly—!]

...Waffle...

I hurriedly cut [Regeneration] from Waffle, and [Paste] it on myself.

At that moment, fumes like white steam came out from my body as my injuries healed very quickly.

As soon as he finished buying time until my regeneration ended, Waffle started attacking the dragon.

[Kaa-san said it before! Offence is the best defence!]

Using [Strong Legs] and [Body Enhancement • Small], he plunged into the dragon's bust in one go and used [Camouflage].

The dragon, who lost sight of Waffle's figure due to the effect of [Camouflage], looked around its surroundings restlessly.

Waffle is...

There!!! He used [Flight] and took a position right above the dragon.

“Waffu———!!!!!!”

Waffle decisively attacked once again using the ramming attack overlapped with great damage delivering Skills from before.

Waffle fell with a great momentum like a meteor.

When Waffle's attack was noticed by the dragon, he had already drawn near to an unavoidable distance.

The dragon probably resolved himself for the inevitable impact, as far from showing a behaviour to avoid, it raised its large arm at the approaching Waffle.

Thus, the two enormous forces collided, and a violent sound of impact resounded throughout the area.

“Waffleeeeeeeeeeeee!!!!”

Finally finishing my regeneration, I stood up while shouting out Waffle’s name.

...Waffle and the black dragon’s clash... resulted in... the black dragon’s win.

Waffle probably crashed into it, as its right arm was bloodstained, and a few of its fingers seem to have broken.

And Waffle... is stained in blood, and isn’t moving without even a single twitch, on the ground a short distance away from the dragon.

I took out the [Ultra Regeneration] pebble from the storage bag in great haste, and pasted it on Waffle.

As I did that, just like before, thick white fumes rose from Waffle, and his wounds started regenerating.

“...How dare you do this to Waffle... I’m getting angry as well”

I used [Strong Arm • Saint] [Body Enhancement • Large LV3] [Physical Strength Enhancement • Extreme LV2] and [Strength Rise LV2] all at once.

I then used [Realize], and created the strongest dagger, “Twirling”.

Seeing the brilliance from “Twirling”, the black dragon showed a cautious attitude without taking it lightly.

“...Sorry, but I’ll have you experience “quite some” pain, so prepare yourself”

Probably reacting to my words, it once again took in a large breath, and breathed out blaze at me.

...Too late.

In front of me a large black vortex appeared.

Yes, it is the usual vortex created using [Unique Magic • Space-time.]

The destination this vortex is connected to is...

The black dragon's blaze did not hit me, but was sucked into the black vortex. It then rushed out from a similar black vortex which appeared right behind the black dragon.

The blaze which flew out from the vortex naturally, directly hit the one who fired it... the black dragon.

[Guaaaaaaaaaaa!!]

The black dragon who received an unexpected attack from an unexpected direction screamed loudly.

I then moved to right above the black dragon raging in pain using [Unique Magic • Space-time].

I then fell freely, and as I landed on its back, I pasted my feet on the dragon's back using [Paste] and fixed it so that I don't fall.

The dragon shook me who was on top of it and rampaged even more violently.

"...It's futile, now then, my turn"

I resolutely sever it's right wing from the base using Twirling which I had been holding.

It writhed even more in pain, but it couldn't shake off me, who had been fixed using Paste.

I ignored the struggling dragon, and similarly severed its left wing. I then extinguished Twirling.

The damage delivered in the first half of the battle, and the damage Waffle delivered in protecting me.

On top of that, with the damage delivered in the current chain of events, even the black dragon had probably reached its limits, as its movements became sluggish.

It moved sluggishly for a while, but in the end, it's neck struck the ground and it

stopped moving about.
It's alive, but it's like in the brink of death, I guess?

After confirming the safety of the situation, I detached my feet, which had been fixed by [Paste], using [Cut].

I then rushed over to Waffle who had been lying down.

[Waffle, Waffle, please answer me]

[...Wafu～]

Thanks goodness! I made it in time.
Tears reflexively overflowed from my eyes.

[I'm sorry, I'm sorry, Waffle... I'm really sorry, and... thanks]

[Thank goodness—, Myne, alive—]

Hearing those words, I wailed even more.
Gently holding up Waffle in my arms, I once again thanked Waffle.

The cause of the bitter fight this time was because I did not paste [Regeneration] on myself.
I thought that it would be bad if [Regeneration] activated in public, so I didn't paste it on myself normally, which backfired on me.

From now on, let's paste it without worrying about such stuff.

Waffle and I then rejoiced at the safety of each other for a while.

...Now then, we can't keep playing around.

I've confirmed Waffle's safety, after all.
Next is the black dragon's turn.

I casted [Magic • Large Recovery] a few times on the black dragon.
Its consciousness was probably hazy, but with [Magic • Large Recovery], it should

have become clearer.

It let out a groan.

[Waffle, can you explain the situation?]

As I requested that of Waffle, he raised a hand and barked [Wafu], before beginning to talk to the black dragon in front of me.

Waffle desperately explained it to the black dragon.

However, the look of his tail swinging wildly, as he shook his arm around, changing gestures while talking to it was irresistibly cute.

I forgot about the mortal combat we had, and unintentionally felt warm and fluffy.

[Wafu! He understands now—]

After rubbing Waffle's head, who proudly reported to me, I pasted [Ultra Regeneration] which was pasted on Waffle, onto the black dragon.

As I did that, fumes which cannot be compared to the previous ones, was emitted strongly from the black dragon's body.

Then, in about 10 minutes, including the cut wings, the regeneration had completely finished.

“Grrrrr”

[He's thanking Myne—]

Phew, with this, all of this will end we hand over the little dragon which is taking shelter on the opposite side, I guess?

At the moment I thought that and was feeling relieved, a new black figure appeared in the skies above us.

...Yes, another black dragon... appeared.

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Oh my god... another one...

Beside me, Waffle glared at the sky, and growled.

As he did that, the black dragon who had been involved in the mortal combat, roared at the other one who was circling the skies.

Probably hearing the roar, it slowly descended towards us.

Waffle also prepared for a battle, but as soon as he heard the roar, he dropped his guard and while saying “Wafu”, he climbed his way up to his usual place, on top of my head.

...Un, judging from the situation, it should be okay to assume that it won't become a battle, right?

[Waffle, what's happening?]

[It seems to be that kid's mother—]

While I was hearing about the situation from Waffle, the mother dragon landed on the ground.

Ah! That's right.

I have to return the Skills to the father (?) dragon.

I cut the Skills from Waffle, and returned it to the dragon.

While I was returning the Skills, the dragon couple seems to be conversing (?) about something.

As I studied the figures of the conversing dragon companions which I have no idea what they were saying for a while, the talk seems to have ended, and the first black dragon called out to Waffle.

Waffle jumped off from my head, and once again started conversing while using lots of tail-wagging and gestures.

As I looked at him while feeling warm and fluffy, Waffle faced me and beckoned while saying “Gau”?

[What’s the matter?]

[Bring the kid here—]

Aah, it seems to have calmed down and the mother dragon isn’t hostile either...
Un, it’ll be alright!

I immediately went to meet the little dragon using [Unique Magic • Space-time].

“...Huh? Little dragon-kun isn’t here?”

That’s weird, even though I told it to wait here...

...Don’t tell me, he’s kidnapped again!?

If that happens, the conclusion we finally reached will all come to nothing!?

I used [Presence Detection • Large] in a panic, and decided to look for the little dragon-kun.

...Ah, there it is.

I wonder if it was curious about our fight?

It moved considerably nearer to the place we had been battling until earlier.

Yosh, let’s go and meet it!!

I used [Body Enhancement • Large LV3] [Leg Strength Enhancement • Small LV3] [Sprint] [Swift Feet(Small) LV2] and ran in the direction the little dragon is at.
While hearing sharp wind sounds, I immediately went towards the little dragon.

“O—i!!”

Since I left Waffle behind, I know that my words wouldn’t be understood, but I tried

calling out to it.

The little dragon who heard my voice called out “Kyui!?”

Even if my words aren’t understood, I who had been battling with its parents is here. It probably understands that the battle has ended... I think.

I used [Unique Magic • Space-time] to make a black vortex in front of the little dragon, and pointed at it, gesturing it to enter.

As I did that, after it showed a behaviour of thinking for a while, it said “Kyuu~~” and leapt into it.

Naturally, the place I connected it to is in front of its parents.

I also immediately followed behind it, and leap into the vortex.

What I saw after passing through the vortex, is the emotional reunion of the parents and child.

I don’t understand what they are saying, but all three of them are exchanging cries with extremely happy-sounding voices.

Un un, this is good, this is good.

With this, our work here is done, I guess?

Waffle was also looking at the dragon family while its tail was wagging wildly.

[Fenrir-sama, I’ve safely handed over the little dragon to the parent dragons]

[Ooh, you’re safe, huh!! Is my boy alright too?]

I explained the situation up until now to Fenrir-sama who asked me about Waffle in a worried voice.

When I told her that Waffle almost died, although it was through telepathy, a terrifying bloodthirst was conveyed to me.

[...I see, good work. Are there figures of humans at the surrounding area right now? Well, I wouldn’t really mind even if a mess happened, but you see... my boy was about to die, huh, I see, I see]

...Ah, this is definitely bad.

However, I can’t just lie...

Father dragon, I'm sorry.

[...No one]

[Is that so, in that case, Myne... Immediately connect this place and that]

I used [Unique Magic • Space-time] as I was told, and connected Fenrir-sama's residence in the Divine Spirit Forest and here.

Then, a bloodthirst which leaked out from the vortex in front of me covered the whole place.

The dragon family also probably realised the sudden dense bloodthirst wafting around, as their conversation was interrupted and they turned their face towards my direction all at once.

Fenrir-sama's whole body then appeared.

[...Jor, come here immediately, you won't be discovered by humans if you fly above the clouds.

You hear me? Come here immediately, otherwise, you know what will happen]

As soon as she arrived, Fenrir-sama seems to be talking to someone through telepathy. ...It seems to be her little brother I've heard of... I heard a dangerous threat in that telepathic communication.

Fenrir-sama then held Waffle in her mouth, and dropped him down gently on her back.

[Boy, why did you force yourself? I thought that my heart would stop, you know]

[I protected Myne—!Praise me, praise me—!]

The dragon family and I gazed and listened to them in silence.

No, rather than silence, it seems to be the right decision without a chance to talk.

Although it wasn't directed towards Waffle or me, the dense bloodthirst scattered towards the dragon family still hasn't stopped.

Even if they are black dragons, there is no way that they can oppose Divine Beast-

sama.

In the end, until Fenrir-sama's little brother arrives, we couldn't even move slightly, and ended up doing nothing but wait.

We then waited for about fifteen minutes.

To the dragon family and me, those fifteen minutes felt like an eternity.

A gigantic black dragon descended in front of us.

"...T, this is the Divine Beast, Jormungandr..."

The absolute existence rivaling Fenrir-sama, is in front of my eyes right now.

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[...You're finally here, Jor.

I'm sorry for asking this again, but won't you connect to the Divine Spirit Forest?

It's okay at the moment, but we don't know when humans might approach this place]

It's a request by Fenrir-sama.

Disobeying isn't a choice.

I immediately connected the Divine Spirit Forest and this place using [Unique Magic
• Space-time].

Fenrir confirmed the appearance of the usual black vortex in front of her, and with Waffle on her back, they quickly entered it.

The remaining black dragon family and Jormungandr-sama, and I looked at each other's faces, even though we didn't make any prior arrangements.

Although they definitely wouldn't understand me, I said "Please" and let them enter first.

The little dragon who has entered the black vortex a few times called out to its parents, saying "Kyui Kyui".

As it did that, the father dragon who fought with me entered it.

Next was the little dragon and the mother dragon.

Next is Jormungandr-sama's turn, huh, as I looked at him, for some reason, he stared at me.

...U~n, did I do something??

The pressure from the Divine Beast-sama I had just met today, even if I have gotten used to Fenrir-sama, it's still quite harsh.

Enduring the silent pressure, I once again said "Please" and gestured him to enter first. As I did that, Jormungandr-sama's wings suddenly shone.

...Eh? Am I going to be attacked? Will I die here...??

[...Can you hear me, Nee-san's friend]

!!!!

...What's this, what's this? Telepathy!?
By any chance, is it Jormungandr-sama!?

As I got into a panic, the same question once again echoed in my mind.

[Is this Jormungandr-sama!?!]

As I answered that, I could see that the gigantic dragon "Jormungandr"-sama in front of me nodded.

[...For the time being, it'll be inconvenient if we cannot converse. I have granted you my sacred protection]

Name: Myne

LV: 63

Race: Hume

Gender: Male

Age: 15 years

Occupation: Hunter

[Divine Beast's Sacred Protection]

Telepathy <<Jormungandr>> new!

...It's certainly there.

I must be the only person to have been granted two Divine Beast's Sacred Protection...

...A dry laugh involuntarily came out from my mouth.

[For now, let's go to Nee-san's place.

She's already angry, I don't know what will happen if we are late]

As I was dumbfounded by the fact that I was bestowed two sacred protections, Jormungandr-sama quickly entered the vortex, leaving me behind.

"...Un, it's not a big deal"

After that, I also travelled to the Divine Spirit Forest.

[Now then, Jormungandr. How do you plan on settling this matter?]

It originally started with Claude and his gang kidnapping the black dragon's child. Jormungandr-sama and the black dragons weren't at fault.

I think there's no doubt about that.

The course of events of the attack on Adol seems to be like this.

The father dragon and mother dragon separated into two groups and searched for their kid, flying about for days after days.

However, there are a lot of human towns, but they never got hold of the child's presence.

They couldn't find even a single clue, so they grew violent with only irritation in them.

In the middle of that, Jormungandr-sama contacted the father dragon, saying that their child has been found.

As soon as he heard about its whereabouts, the father dragon couldn't help but to disregard Jormungandr-sama's warning, and started flying.

That's the natural reaction, I guess.

The child they were searching for so long had been found, they were worried. How can anyone criticise the parent's feelings, thinking about his child.

Whereas the mother dragon was on the opposite side, and quite far at that, and even

if she heard it from Jormungandr-sama, she couldn't return immediately.

And while she was returning and heard about the situation from Jormungandr-sama, she returned at full speed to stop the father dragon's rampage.

And after that regarding the battle, an explanation shouldn't be needed.

In the end, this course of events is the perspective from the black dragons.

It's somewhat different from my and Fenrir-sama's point-of-views.

I have the responsibility to settle the misconduct by the Hume race.

Fenrir-sama has the same understanding and sympathy as a parent who had her children kidnapped.

With those thoughts as the cause, she proposed to cooperate, and actually moved in order to help the child.

As a result, her telling the whereabouts of the little dragon was the cause of the father dragon's rampage, when Fenrir-sama felt that she wanted to quickly tell them so that they can feel relieved.

Also, my actions in pulling apart from Adol is because I didn't want to involve the unrelated people in Adol, and absolutely not to provoke and anger the father dragon.

And the fact that Fenrir-sama is angry right now, even though she helped them out with good intentions, he tried to kill her own child, of course she would be mad.

Furthermore, the cause of it is because they rushed out without listening to our story properly.

It seems that if you look at each of the three parties' standpoint, no one is mistaken. The one who we can declare as bad is Claude and his gang, the party which kidnapped the child.

That's why, Fenrir-sama subdued her anger, and first asked Jormungandr-sama on what he planned to do.

...Though blood might rain depending on Jormungandr-sama's answer...

[Let's see, first of all, I'll have to thank Nee-san and Myne.

Thanks to your cooperation in this case, the child could return to its parents safely.

Honestly, it might have been impossible if it had only been us... Let me thank you from

the bottom of my heart]

...A Divine Beast lowering his head at me.
This is the second time after Fenrir-sama...

...Honestly speaking, I wish he will stop this.

[However, it shouldn't be a mistake to say that the origin was the Hume race.
Originally I wanted to come out for revenge, but considering Myne, I decide to stop that.
Because of that, why don't we reconcile on this matter]

Well, I don't think coming to a compromise is bad.

...If we exclude one point.

[Don't you say such foolish things, where did the settlement for almost killing my kid?]

Yes, the terms from before is the reconciliation between the "Dragons and Hume race", so Fenrir-sama wasn't included.

[...Well, that...]

Jormungandr-sama seems like he didn't expect it, and let out a deep sigh.

[Jor, if you can't come up with a suggestion, I shall decide for you.

Let me kill this guy who tried to kill my kid.

W~hat, if he's lucky, he won't die, and Myne is here after all, so he can be healed immediately]

W, wait a minute!? Please don't involve me in such a dangerous thing.

Wait, Waffle!!! Please don't yawn at such a place (the back of his mother), say something, please!!

[...Waffuuuuuuuu]

Wait! Don't sleep! Please don't sleep!! You're the person concerned, you know!? You can't sleeeeeep!

[...Nee-san, please don't say such dangerous things.
Good grief, your bloodthirst is as much as usual, it's really troubling]

[Did you say something?]

After the exchange between the siblings, Jormungandr-sama gave us a shocking proposal.

That is...

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BATTLE FINISHED, SETTLEMENT OF MATTER (2)

[Nee-san, Myne can cut off the Skills of others, right?]

Jormungandr-sama asked Fenrir-sama that.
...Hm? Why did he ask about such a thing?

[Yeah, that's right]

Hearing Fenrir-sama's reply, Jormungandr-sama showed a behaviour of thinking for a while.

He then inquired of me.

[Can you also cut from dead people?]

[...I've never tried it before, so I don't know]

[...Then, if they are alive, you can cut every single type of Skills?]

[Yes, if I can see them... Ah, but I couldn't take the [Blaze] from the father dragon.
Rather, I didn't know he had something like [Blaze]]

[...What? You can't appraise [Blaze]...]

Yes, because of that, I fell into a very difficult fight.

If I remember correctly, when I used [Appraise], there shouldn't be any doubt that there wasn't something like [Blaze].

When I returned the Skills, I also used [Appraise] once more, but I couldn't find [Blaze] anywhere.

I wonder what in the world that means.

[...Blaze, meaning... race Skills, huh]

Hm? Jormungandr-sama? Did you just say something?
Race Skills?? A word I don't know came out.

...Wait, I feel like something like this happened before as well?
Ummmm... Ummmm, what was it again?

!!!

I remember!!!!

That's right, when [Appraise] levelled up!!
At that time, it's like the time when I could suddenly see levels!

I completely forgot about that.

That means, the possibility is high that the cause of this matter is because [Appraise]'s level isn't high enough, huh.

Appraise • Complete LV3 (269/300)

I'm a little short in proficiency level, huh.
However, I don't know whether I will be able to see Race Skills at LV4 or not.

It might even be at LV5...

...Either way, for now, I'm thankful with just the knowledge that there are monsters which have race Skills.

If I'm relieved, thinking that I stole all of their Skills, there's a possibility I might get into a pinch like this time.

I'll have to brace myself even more.

In that meaning, it can be said that although this battle with the black dragon is dangerous, but my gains were great.

It's not that I don't feel a little different, but I'll have to say Thanks! to the father dragon, don't I!

[...Fumu, your face says that you understood something, well, whatever.
Anyway, that means you can cut off any Skills other than race Skills, right?
Nee-san, I have a certain job I would like to regularly request Myne and Nee-san's child
of, with the meaning of including their compensation]

...Job? Jormungandr-sama to Waffle and I?
Furthermore, what does he mean by meaning of including our compensation, I can't
predict it at all.

[Hmm? What is it, let's hear it]

[Aah, Nee-san knows that there's a labyrinth prison where the dragons who
committed a crime will be imprisoned in it until their deaths, right?

I was thinking of letting them have as many Skills of the dragons inside that labyrinth
as they want.

After all, they're only waiting for their deaths once they enter it.

In that case, wouldn't it be more effective if those Skills are put to good use?

It'll be troublesome if they cause more problems with those Skills.

If they come periodically to cut them off, those troublesome things will be gone, and
it'll be two birds with one stone]

...That's somehow an amazing suggestion, isn't it?

I can take as many Skills of the dragon race as I want, somehow, I have a hunch that
they will have outrageous Skills...

However, I wonder if this is okay...

[...Hmph, Myne, Boy, are you okay with that?]

[Oh—, I can fly in the air again!!!]

[...I don't have any objections, but... is this really alright? For us to do something like
that]

[What, I, the divine beast who rules over the dragons said that it's okay, there wouldn't
be any problems at all]

...Seems like there's no problem.

Somehow, I feel like this has become something really important.

Fenrir-sama and Jormungandr-sama has given their approvals, I can't afford to not receive it.

Waffle also seems really enthusiastic...

He's floating on top of Fenrir-sama with [Levitation] and flapping his feet.

...He's also shaking his tail while he's at it.

He's definitely planning on flying in the sky.

[...Understood, I will gratefully accept it.

However, can we do it another day? I think that the royalty will feel worried if I don't return once and report about it]

Un, King-sama and Brother-in-law-sama, Sylphy and Aisha, everyone is definitely worried.

[Aah, I don't mind.

However, you can only go to places you've been to with the movement Skill you just showed us, right?

For now, won't you come to the prison labyrinth?

I can't wander outside often, so I want to finish this today]

That being the case, I travelled to the "Prison Labyrinth", and this case has ended.

As I glanced at Fenrir-sama, I could see that she is lecturing the black draogn couple. Waffle is... still floating while flapping.

He seems to be enjoying it, so I'll leave him be for now.

It'll be fine if I move like "Prison Labyrinth" → "Divine Spirit Forest" → "Royal Palace".

I'll have to at least explain to Waffle.

As I finished explaining, Waffle lifted his hand, showed his paw towards and started waving his hand as if saying [Take care].

[Yes, well then, let's get going.

How will we be going to the “Prison Labyrinth”?]

As I said that, Jormungandr-sama forcibly held me in his mouth, and let me off on his back.

[Get on my back, we’ll be flying there]

Eh?

Before my thoughts caught up, Jormungandr-sama took off.

In the blink of an eye, he soared high into the sky, and the Divine Spirit Forest became a dot.

Ohgodohgodohgod, I’ll die if I fall.

In a panic, I used [Paste] to glue the soles of my shoes onto Jormungandr-sama’s back.

[Now then, let’s go]

In the moment Jormungandr-sama said that, the scenery flowed past me at an amazingly high speed.

“Ugyaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa”

The overwhelming speed and wind pressure bent my body greatly.

[Jo, Jo, Jormungandr-sama... It, It’s cold... I’ll die]

As I complained, he let out a forgetful mutter, [Oh], and after that, a faint green wall was erected around me.

[It’s a barrier made with wind magic, you have no problems with that, do you?]

[...Yes, thank you very much]

I wish you’d do this from the start...

Moreover, if it wasn’t me, the person would have been thrown off long ago, you know?

Although I sent a resentful gaze towards him, he doesn't seem to have noticed it...
Jormungandr-sama who seem to be in a good mood, continued flying towards the
"Prison Labyrinth" in perfect condition.

[...I completely forgot]

Eh?

CHAPTER 87

BATTLE FINISHED, SETTLEMENT OF MATTER (3)

...Un, I'll pretend that I didn't hear Jormungandr-sama's ominous mutterings.

As I sneaked a glance at the landscape flowing by me at a staggering speed, I could see flames rising from the front.

Hm? I wonder what that is... An outrageously large area's burning??

I had Jormungandr-sama's speed fall, and looked closely at the burning place with [Sight Enhancement • Moderate LV2].

!!!!

What the, I don't know which country that is, but a large number of monsters are invading it!

W, what about the survivors!?

...It's no use, there are only dead bodies as far as I can see.

There's even a little kid among the corpses.

There might be survivors hiding somewhere, but I can't find them.

Damn! If only we came here earlier...

[Hm? What's wrong]

Jormungandr-sama probably noticed me, who is exasperated.

He called out to me.

[...What in the world is that tragedy?]

[The Country of Demons started a war, huh, good grief, this will become troublesome]

Jormungandr-sama said that recently, a new king of the Country of Demons came to existence.

This king killed the late king who was more politically moderate, and announced that he will dominate the other races and become this world's king.

With that proclamation as the origin, they are launching large-scaled acts of aggression with the demon race against the countries which neighbour the Country of Demons.

It seems that they have been cornered until right before the whole country has been annihilated.

Since it's a event which isn't connected to the duties assigned to the Divine Beasts like Jormungandr-sama and Fenrir-sama by Kami-sama, there isn't a need for them to intervene.

"What a terrible thing..."

Probably because he heard my mutterings, Jormungandr-sama once again faced the "Prison Labyrinth" and accelerated.

At the moment I was about to change my mood and take my eyes off of the burning town... I discovered that.

W, What is that guy...?

Why is there a hume race within the monsters?

Why is he joining the monsters and invading the town!?

As I thought that, that hume male suddenly looked up at the sky.

...Then, our eyes met!!!

Yes, even though such a thing is impossible, I could understand that our eyes had met.

There is no doubt that he was facing me... as he smirked...

At the moment I thought "I'll have to appraise!", we had already left the range of [Sight Enhancement • Moderate LV2], and I couldn't appraise him.

Who in the world is that guy?

...Somehow, I have a tremendously bad premonition.



[Well, we have arrived, this is the entrance of the “Prison Labyrinth”]

It took about an hour from the nightmare-like battlefield.
We have arrived at our destination, the “Prison Labyrinth”.

As I properly looked at my surroundings, I remember it in my mind.

With this, I can come here with [Unique Magic • Space-time] next time.

[Thank you very much, well then, I shall be returning]

Hearing my words, Jormungandr-sama nodded greatly.

[You should take care when you come to cut off their Skills.
Although the freedom of the dragons imprisoned here have been snatched from them,
they can of course use the Skills themselves.
They’re all ruffians who committed crimes, they don’t care for killing, but they don’t
want to get killed]

[Understood, I will be careful]

After looking at the earlier tragedy, I have to get much stronger.
I’ll have to effectively use this chance I have been given.

However, the dragons have Race Skills, which I cannot grasp.
If I’m going to do it, I want to cut off those Skills as well.

Before coming here, I’ll should prioritise leveling up [Appraisal].

I thanked Jormungandr-sama and travelled to “Divine Spirit Forest” with [Unique
Magic • Space-time].

[I’m back!!]

As I said that and came out from the black vortex, two violet lumps hurled themselves
at me.

I collapsed along with a “Puff” sound.

[[M—y—n—e—!!!]]

Aah, Waffle’s siblings, huh.

Although I might say “It’s been a while”, it’s not like that much time has passed, but the little Fenrir’s condition in welcoming me is amazing.

Their tails were trembling, and they licked my whole face.

As I said “There, there,” and gently stroked their backs and throats, they frolicked even more intensely.

And then...

[Let me in too— — —!]

In the end, even Waffle attacked me.

No, you guys? I’m really happy that you’re welcoming me, but aren’t you overdoing it a little??

Fenrir-sama only watched over us as if looking at something pleasant, and seems like she isn’t interested in intervening at all.

After about 15 minutes of receiving the passionate welcome from the little Fenrirs, I informed them that I would be returning to the royal palace.

As I did that, the children complained as they hurled themselves at me again.

Fenrir-sama who persisted on looking on just now also persuaded me as well, and just like before, I got them to get off, though reluctantly.

It’s a secret that I promised to bring them souvenirs.

I’ll come to play again so wait for me!

[Waffle, let’s go]

As I called out to him, he let out his usual “Wafu!” and climbed onto the top of my head, his usual place.

Confirming that Waffle has finished his preparations (?), I quickly used [Unique Magic • Space-time].

The place I connected to is the room in the royal palace prepared for us where my fiancées and I are staying in.

Phew, with this, I can really take a breath... right?



“Myne-kun!!!”

The one who first realised my return was Aisha.

As I raised my hand and was about to reply... Waffle lifted his right hand before me and greeted Aisha with a “Wafu!”.

Seeing Waffle whose tail was swinging around and his hand raised, I wryly smiled as I also said “I’m back”.

Probably noticing our exchange, Sylphy also ran out from the back of the room. Un, no matter how wide the room is, you shouldn’t run, you know?

“I’m back, Sylphy!... Also, running is dangerous, you know?”

“...Welcome back, Danna-sama!... Wait, no!!!

What happened with the dragon? Danna-sama looks safe, so does that mean it went well!?”

Well, of course they’d be curious.

“Un, relax! Everything turned out fine”

[I also worked hard—!]

As I said that, Sylphy and Aisha both let out a deep sigh of relief. Waffle also didn’t forget to assert himself.

“I want to report to King-sama for now, but what should I do?”

I don't know the etiquette within the royal palace at all.
Even if I suddenly ask, saying that I want to meet King-sama, I would probably only get turned away at the door.

At such a time, the best option is to ask Sylphy.

"If it's Chichiue, you'll be able to meet him at once, he had been waiting impatiently for Danna-sama to return"

Saying that, she pulled on my hand and rushed out from the room.
Aisha also pursued us in a panic.

And, Waffle is on top of my head.
I can feel that he wants to talk about his own great efforts, and his eyes were inevitably shining more than usual.

[WafuWafu, WafuWafu~ ♪]

Aah, I knew it!!

Well, Waffle certainly played a large role this time.
Of course he would want to be praised! Un.

I'll praise him a lot after this!

"Chichiue, Danna-sama has returned!"

The audience room? Sylphy forcibly entered a luxurious, gorgeous and large room, probably with such a name.
Of course, while she pulled on my hand.

...This room... Is it alright to enter in such a way?
Honestly, I can't help worrying, but there's no one to criticise us.

"Myne!!! How was it!!!?"

And, King-sama...
At the moment he saw my face, he asked me about the circumstances with a

staggeringly loud voice.

“Yes! I have secured the dragon child, and returned it to its parents. I have obtained a promise from Divine Beast Jormungandr-sama that they will not attack Hume towns after this because of this matter!”

As I reported with a loud voice, cheers came from within the room. Only King-sama somehow looked exhausted though...

I wonder if he felt relieved?

At any rate, the long kidnapping case of the little dragon has peacefully reached its conclusion.

CHAPTER 88

THE MEDIATOR OF DRAGONS

King-sama, Brother-in-law-san, Queen-sama who had heard my report...
And also, all of the vassals.

The audience room was engulfed in cheers.

I thought that the audience room is a place which is usually solemn, but right now, there wasn't such a mood at all.

This one case is probably that important an unresolved problem to them who are in a position to protect the country.

Certainly, if this was handled poorly, one or two towns would be destroyed, and at the worst, even the royal capital might be doubted.

Un, even just by looking at these sight of everyone delighted, I feel that my hard work is worthwhile.

...That's right, Waffle!

As I lifted Waffle down from my head, and lifted until he was in front of my face, he nodded, saying "Un un", as he wagged his tail.

As Waffle and I engraved this scene of happiness in our hearts, King-sama faced us and called out to us.

"Nicely done, Myne.

I am proud that I accepted you as my son-in-law.

...Dragon Slayer, no, it's not like you killed it, huh...

Aah, calling you Dragon Mediator sounds good, huh!"

King-sama gave me some questionable title in a terribly good mood.

As he did that, probably attracted to the title, people who I feel are quite important and have never seen before joined the conversation.

“Oh, that’s a good name! Dragon Mediator!

You’ve accomplished something even more difficult than killing it and saved the Town of Adol, you’re worthy to be called a hero!

As the princess’ husband, it’ll bring you more prestige, won’t it!

Faren-sama, how about formally bestowing Myne-dono a title from the country”

...No, I really want you to stop...

“Fumu, it’s rare for Morg to say that much, isn’t it? Are you scheming something again?”

Some ominous words like scheming or something came out, you know...

“No, I am not thinking of such a thing this time!

I also heard of the situation, isn’t it sheer stupidity to oppose Divine Beast-sama or something?”

I’ve come to understand as I heard about various things.

It seems that this Morg is the Prime Minister-sama of the country.

I heard this from Sylphy after this, but it seems that he’s a person with quite the habit. When something happens, he would mount a logical attack and deftly blocks the path of retreat.

However, he is a great man who will energetically work for the sake of the country, and if he judges that it will not be in the interest of the country, he will not shun admonishing even King-sama.

He seems to think that this matter is a good chance for me, the princess’ husband, to gain prestige.

“...Fumu, well, it’s not like I don’t understand what you’re trying to say”

In the end, after King-sama pondered for a while, Prime Minister-sama’s proposal was approved.



“I, I’m exhausted...”

I returned to the room and flopped onto the bed.

After that, King-sama started calling me “Dragon Mediator” grandly, so all the ministers and high-level knights who were there rushed towards me.

At first, Sylphy only looked at me, saying “This is also experience”, but the ones lining up exceeded fifty people, so she came to rescue me.

I’m a humble hunter’s son, but surrounded by distinguished people at such a gorgeous place, no matter what I would be mentally fatigued.

However, there’s one good thing.

Of course, although I don’t know what they think in the depths of their heart, but...

The people who gathered all gave me words of gratitude.

Of course, they don’t know the real power I possess, but even so, all of them know that I have the power to resolve the matter.

Despite that, I felt that there wasn’t anyone who wanted to swindle or use me.

In the first place, they only named themselves, and unanimously said “Thanks”.

They didn’t even said what position they have, so they are probably not planning to use me or something.

As I told Sylphy about that, she smiled bitterly while warned me, saying “That doesn’t mean that there aren’t people like that, so please be careful”.

“...Now then, once again, thank you for your hard work”

Aisha and Sylphy both spoke words of appreciation.

Come to think of it, it somehow feels like it’s been a while since I last took it easy with the both of them.

“Un, thanks... you two”

By the way, Waffle is in Aisha's arms.

"However, these few days were really hectic, weren't they"

Sylphy looked at Waffle and earnestly started talking.

Un, it exactly as she said.

A noble suddenly intruded into my home, and I was dragged into an incomprehensible game...

Once I participated in that game, I somehow met a Divine Beast-sama from the legends, and became her friend...

Moreover, her child became attached to me, and even became a part of my family.

As I glanced at Waffle, he probably felt that I was thinking about him, and started swinging his tail wildly.

And then, after the game ended, we fought with a black dragon, said to be the strongest species.

In the end, I even received Sacred Protection from the Divine Beast-sama who rules over the dragon race.

And the climax, once I returned to the royal palace, I was even given a nonsense title...

After summarising the events like this, somehow, there are only outrageous events to me, a commoner.

And then, the next one we're waiting for is our marriage ceremony.

The feud had ended peacefully, so the ceremony can be held without fear.

Also, this was just decided not long ago, but the matter about my title will be intentionally disseminated to the citizens before my marriage ceremony.

Even if I am a person approved by the King, it is an unchangeable fact that my origins are that of a commoner.

There will naturally be people who hold dissatisfaction that I am the partner of Sylphy, who is greatly popular among the citizens.

However, if they know that I am a man who has a title because of this time's matter,

such voices are estimated to decrease.

And, using that, the public punishment of the nobles who participated in this case with the Roselia family as head can be justified.

Because of those reasons, there will be a short pause until the marriage ceremony, which is decided to be held after a week.

“...I have a lot to ask about Danna-sama’s Skills, but...”

“Firstly, let’s get into the baths and rest our bodies!”

Sylphy and Aishaboth stood up.

Now, I was pulled by them as they said “Let’s go”, and all of us got into the bath together.

...Waffle was also together with us!

“Wafu!”

CHAPTER 89

REQUEST TO THE CLAN

We who got out from the bath drank cold tea a maid-san prepared as we started talking about what would happen from now on.

“And, what can Myne-kun do now?”

From Aisha’s few words, I talked about the series of events from when I was bestowed the Skills from Kami-sama at the temple.

About my discovery of robbers within the carriage when I was returning to Lucas. And then about my first times cutting and pasting a Skill, defeating an orc and creating a potion.

Then I told them about me obtaining a special Skill called [Tenfold Experience Acquisition] in the slime subjugation I received from the guild. Furthermore, I told them about the existence of concepts like levels and proficiency level in this world, which I discovered using Appraisal.

And also about the fact that the higher Appraisal’s level is, I will be able to confirm abilities that are still hidden like Race Skills.

Also, about my obtaining three extremely powerful Skills in my fight against the Orc King.

Namely, [King’s Intimidation] [Realize] [Unique Magic • Space-time].

About Fenrir-sama telling me that perhaps, higher-ranked species of each race have power Skills like these.

...I roughly explained such things to them in one sitting.

“And, why don’t we go hunting for slimes tomorrow with the four of us?”

“...Un, why?”

Sylphy tilted her head to one side at my proposal.

Well, what I'm thinking wouldn't normally come into one's mind all of a sudden, huh.

"To look for the [Tenfold Experience Acquisition] Skill, and paste them on Aisha, Sylphy and also Waffle.

Well, I think it'll take a very long time to look for three Slime Experience, though..."

Hearing my proposal, Sylphy and Aisha became stiff at the same time.

"...I see, that's how it is, huh... Danna-sama's Skills... are more terrifying than I thought. It's not a blessing for only Danna-sama, but it can also strengthen the people around him, huh..."

In the first place, the concept of pasting Skills doesn't only not exist for these girls, but to the humans of this world.

They'll agree if I say it like this, and naturally, they'll understand, but they don't seem to have really reached this idea yet.

"Ah, that's right! This is a good timing"

In order for them to easily imagine it, I quickly pasted the remaining Skills on both of them.

Both of them tilted their head to the side, as they looked at me suddenly shouting, quickly standing and going to the table to take my storage bag.

Waffle has already experienced it himself, so he excitedly wagged his tail and observed me.

...By the way, he's currently on top of Sylphy's head.

Sylphy's strangely happy, so there probably isn't a problem, but, Waffle? The person you're on right now is a royalty, you know? Do you understand that?

As I thought that in my mind, he patted Sylphy's head as if saying that such a thing is irrelevant.

Sigh, let's leave Waffle alone for now...

What I took out from my storage bag are pebbles with [Strong Arm] and [Physical Strength Enhancement], two of each.

I quickly pasted them on the two people.

Moreover, I pasted a Skill which I am not using, [Martial Arts: Succesive Shot] on Aisha. I pasted [Martial Arts: Sharpness Sword] on Sylphy.

“I just pasted the Skills [Strong Arm] and [Physical Strength Enhancement] on both of you.

On top of that, I’ve supplemented them by pasting a bow martial arts on Aisha and a one-handed sword martial arts on Sylphy”

As I said that, both of them showed an expression, as if saying “Eh?”, but they immediately looked like they were trying to use [Strong Arm] and [Physical Strength Enhancement].

It became clear that the luminescence that appears when a Skill is used appeared from their bodies.

““!!!!”“

Uwa~, both of them are more surprised than I expected...

However, as expected of those who have a second names, they adapt quickly.

They swung their arms around and lightly punched, they seem to be confirming the effects of the Skills.

“Danna-sama, take care of Waffle for a while”

Sylphy said that, and shifted Waffle onto the top of my head.

Why did you go out of your way to place him on my head??

“Wafu~”

No, don’t just Wafu~ me!

I desperately endure retorting, and decided to squish Waffle’s paw pad while once again watching over the two of them.

“...I see, this is certainly an outrageous power”

“Indeed, with this, even my archery might be able to instantly kill mosnters the level of orcs”

They can't test the martial arts in this room, as expected, huh.
I wonder if they'll test it from tomorrow onwards?

"Myne-kun, won't you tell us the martial arts' names? We can't activate them without knowing their names, you know"

I accepted Aisha's retort, and agreed.

"The bow martial arts is called [Martial Arts: Succesive Shot] and the one-handed sword martial arts is [Martial Arts: Sharpness Sword]. Let's test them while defeating slimes tomorrow!"

Both of them seem to be repeating the names of martial arts with a low voice.

I only pasted three Skills on each of them, but I think they've become extremely strong. I've decided to go to labyrinths, forests and other places from now on and gather Skills for the girls.

"...Fumu, with this, the request Chichiue gave our Clan... might really be completed, huh"

Hm, request? Come to think of it, King-sama did say such a thing, didn't he?
A request from King-sama seems like it will be difficult, though...

"What's the request from King-sama?"

"...Actually, in the outskirts of the royal capital, in the direction directly opposite of the Divine Spirit Forest... we've discovered a Dungeon.
It suddenly appeared at a place where there haven't been any"

A Dungeon!? It's something like the previous Dungeon of Strength, huh!

"It only appeared recently, so for Chichiue, he seems to want to quickly capture it and shut it down.
After all, it isn't that far from the royal capital, it'd be bad if something dangerous happens"

I see, the request from King-sama to the Clan is the "Capture of the Labyrinth", huh.

Certainly, if it's us, we might be able to capture it.

I can also greatly expect Waffle's battle power!

It seems that the request will begin after the wedding ceremony has ended and the clan officially starts operating.

Un, until then, we'll have to prepare all kinds of battle power!

Name: Aisha Lorelle

LV: 43

Race: Hume

Gender: Female

Age: 26 years

Occupation: Archery Master

[Skills]

Magic • Large Recovery Lv4

Archery • Saint Lv3

Cooking Lv7 (6→7) LevelUp!

Strong Arm new!

Physical Strength Enhancement new!

Martial Arts: Successive Shot new!

Name: Sylphid Augusta

Race: Hume

LV: 28

Gender: Female

Age: 19 years

Occupation: Augusta Kingdom's First Princess

[Skills]

One-handed Sword • Extreme

Body Enhancement • Large

Elegance (TLN: Previously grace. Seriously, I have no idea what to put here)

Strong Arm new!

Physical Strength Enhancement new!

Martial Arts: Sharpness Sword new!

CHAPTER 90

SEQUEL • OBTAINED AMAZING SKILLS

We have currently arrived at the forest where I previously fought against hundreds of slimes.

My number one aim is the [Tenfold Experience Acquisition] Skill.

However, from my experience, it'd be good if we can secure even one of the [Tenfold Experience Acquisition].

When I obtained it, how many did I defeat... If I think about that, well, it might be difficult.

That being the case, it can be said that our main purpose today is to secure any other useful Skills and paste them on my two fiancées and Waffle.

Since I've come here once, I know that there aren't any strong monsters in this forest. Unpreparedness is indeed one's greatest enemy, but thinking of our battle power, no matter how I think about it, there probably won't be any hard fights.

If I had to say, then from my senses, it feels like a family picnic.

"Martial Arts: Successive Shot!"

Aisha aimed at a goblin, and released the martial arts I pasted on her last night.

An arrow with only one shot.

However, the moment it was fired from the bow, arrows which were created from the effects of the martial arts were fired successively.

The goblin which had become a target literally became a beehive from the large number of arrows, and was at a loss as it collapsed.

"...Phew, that was impressive.

Archery troops are weak when it comes to melee, but with this martial arts, I think it'll become considerably easier"

As Aisha said that, I could see Sylphy who had been fighting on the other side use her martial arts.

“Martial Arts: Sharpness Sword!”

As if there was nothing there... a goblin became two equal parts from that degree of sharpness.

It's not only her martial arts, but she also swung the Linus Sword obtained from the “Dungeon of Strength”.

Honestly, that power cannot be measured with a goblin.
She was showing off the excess power.

“Un, a wonderful sword, a terrifying martial art... It's too great an honour for me. However, since the power was too thoughtlessly strong, we can't use a goblin as a reference, huh...”

As expected, Sylphy seems to be thinking the same thing as me.

Well, there's no helping it, I guess.
In the first place, goblins aren't that strong a monster.

By the way, these are the Skills I've stolen from the monsters until now.

[Magic • Small Recovery]

[Presence Erase • Moderate]

[Presence Erase • Small]

[Magic • Fire]

[Magic • Earth]

[Iron Wall]

[Incitement]

[Body Enhancement • Small]

If you ask me whether it's natural or not, then it is certainly natural, but these are all Skills I was able to obtain the last time I came here.

“...And, Myne-kun, how is it? Did you gather the Skills?”

“Un, I’ve properly taken the same Skills I’ve taken when I came here before”

“However, when I heard about this yesterday, it didn’t really feel real, but...
Using them against monsters, though they’re goblins, really feels real”

Both of them are warriors who have a second name.
Their fighting strengths had originally been prominent, but with the power of their newly added Skills, they’ve become considerably astounding.

Now then, we should change to hunting our desired slime.

The last time when I moved around the waterside... at that place is...
As I had expected, there was an unending number of slimes surrounding the lake.

“Aah, as expected... I thought this before as well, but isn’t there too many of them?”

As I grumbled, Aisha nodded with a cramped expression.

“...Why are there so many here? Something’s obviously not right...”

Un, as expected, it seems to be weird.
A former guild receptionist said it, so it should be fine to think that there is a reason for this plague of slimes.

Well, at any rate... we’ll have to search for the “Slime Experience” within that huge number of slimes...

...They look the same as the other ones so we can’t differentiate it with a glance, huh...

“...I think that perhaps, among them is a slime with the Skill we are aiming for...
You can’t do anything without Appraisal, so can both of you take Waffle and hunt the other monsters as you think fit?
Once I finish, I’ll call Waffle with telepathy”

As expected, it’ll be difficult just watching from here until I discover a Slime Experience.
If it will take an hour like what I felt last time, it would be good, but there’s a possibility it’ll take three or four hours.

Furthermore, even if they help me, there's a need to appraise them, so I cannot judge that just defeating it is better.

In this situation, as expected, it's best for me to do it myself.

Aisha and Sylphy insisted on staying since it is for their own Skill, but...

In the end, with Waffle's one sentence, "I don't want to feel bored—", they obediently went hunting.

Nice, Waffle!

...Now then, after seeing the two people and one animal off, I stared at the hill of slimes.

My level's considerably higher than before, but for safety, I casted [Iron Wall LV3] and [Body Enhancement • Small LV4] beforehand, and rushed towards the hill of slimes.

The more I use my Skills, the higher the proficiency level will become.
Let's work hard and think of it as training.



...Two hours as I continued killing slimes.
It finally appeared in front of me.

Name: Slime Experience

LV: 1

Race: Slime Family

Gender: None

[Skill]

Tenfold Experience Acquisition

[Ability]

None

Without a moment's delay, I cut off its Skill and pasted it on a pebble.

...And then, an hour after that.

When Sylphy and the others came back, I discovered another Slime Experience.

“Phew, one left, huh”

I had Aisha, Sylphy and Waffle who came back, store the slime oil scattered around. Just by doing that, I feel like my surroundings became fairly wider, so I realised the considerable diminishing of the number of slimes.

As I let my mind wander a little, Waffle suddenly barked loudly.

[Waffu!!! Myne, there’s something there—!!]

Eh?

As I appraised the “direction” Waffle barked at...

Name: Slime Hermit

LV: 2

Race: Slime Family

Gender: None

[Skill]

Concealment

[Ability]

Presence Erase • Complete

!!!!!!

What’s this!!!?

I can’t see its figure, but there’s a slime there!?

For now, let’s steal its Skill before I lose sight of it.

...As I did that, a pitch black slime suddenly appeared in front of me.

I see, I don’t know whether it’s the Skill or Ability, but because of it, I couldn’t see it’s

figure, huh.

Waffle, thanks for your service!

As expected of your enemy-searching ability!

For now, I don't have business with this slime anymore, so I promptly killed it. (TLN: Wow.)

As I unexpectedly obtained a new Skill, my spirits rose greatly.

I forgot my fatigue from before, and I was intent on continuing hunting the slimes, and after that, another hour.

When Waffle started yawning, I could discover the last Slime Experience.

After that, I borrowed Waffle's ability and succeeded in defeating another Slime Hermit.

It took a long time, but we got a great harvest, didn't we?

Un, this time, it's thanks to Waffle!

Name: Myne

[Skill]

Concealment new!

Name: Aisha Lorelle

[Skill]

Tenfold Experience Acquisition

Presence Erase • Moderate new!

Presence Erase • Small new!

Magic • Fire new!

Magic • Earth new!

Iron Wall new!

Incitement new!

Body Enhancement • Small new!

Fire Attribute • Resistance new!

Water Attribute • Resistance new!

Wind Attribute • Resistance new!

Earth Attribute • Resistance new!

Light Attribute • Resistance new!

Dark Attribute • Resistance new!

Name: Sylphid Augusta

[Skills]

Tenfold Experience Acquisition new!

Magic • Small Recovery new!

Presence Erase • Moderate new!

Presence Erase • Small new!

Magic • Fire new!

Magic • Earth new!

Iron Wall new!

Incitement new!

Body Enhancement • Small new!

Fire Attribute • Resistance new!

Water Attribute • Resistance new!

Wind Attribute • Resistance new!

Earth Attribute • Resistance new!

Light Attribute • Resistance new!

Dark Attribute • Resistance new!

Name: Waffle

LV: 31

Race: Divine Beast

Gender:

Status: Tamed (Myne)

[Skill]

Concealment new!

Tenfold Experience Acquisition new!

Magic • Small Recovery new!

Presence Erase • Moderate new!

Presence Erase • Small new!

Magic • Fire new!

Magic • Earth new!

Iron Wall new!

Incitement new!

Body Enhancement • Small new!

Fire Attribute • Resistance new!

Water Attribute • Resistance new!

Wind Attribute • Resistance new!

Earth Attribute • Resistance new!

Light Attribute • Resistance new!

Dark Attribute • Resistance new!

[Ability]

Presence Erase • Complete new!

CHAPTER 91

DESIRING POWER, LET'S WORK HARD

Contrary to my expectations, we were able to obtain the [Tenfold Experience Acquisition], the Skill we were aiming for in just once day.

It was very agonising doing nothing but hunting slimes continuously for long hours, so it was really helpful!

Furthermore, thanks to Waffle, I got some new Skills and Abilities!

[Concealment]: Activated after a period of activation is set on a preferred target. The figure of the target that receives this Skill can be hidden from external interference.

[Presence Erase • Complete]: Active Skill.

The presence of the user will be completely erased. No matter the methods, he/she will be unable to be identified.

When I defeated that slime, its sudden appearance is because of the effects of [Concealment], huh.

It didn't use [Presence Erase • Complete], did it?

If that slime used this, even Waffle might not be able to discover it, huh.

Aah, there might be individuals who use this Skill.

I've only managed to find two of them in total, after all...

Because [Presence Erase • Complete] is an ability, I can't use it, so I pasted it on Waffle. If the [Camouflage] I pasted on Waffle before is utilised together... won't Waffle become invincible?

At any rate, this time's Skill collecting can be said to be a huge success.

Although it's a Clan with only three people + one animal, if we look at it purely by fighting strength, I think even Cass-san's Clan, who we met before, will lose to us.

"Danna-sama, thank you for your hard work"

Finishing the life or death struggle (?) with the slimes, I, sitting down, had a towel gently placed on my head by Sylphy.

Both Sylphy and Aisha seem like they were able to ascertain the feel of their newly-obtained Skills to their hearts' content, so I could feel that they were in a considerably good mood.

"Thanks, Sylphy. How was it? The feel of the new Skills...?"

"...Let's see, my honest impression is that it's "terrifying".

Even with the Skills I were originally bestowed with, I felt that I was strong, but... combined with the Skills I received from Danna-sama, I feel a really abnormal strength"

Aisha who was carrying Waffle in her arms added to the conversation.

"I recalled the time when Myne-kun battled the Orc King.

I was worried what would happen at that time, but right now I think "I see". If Myne-kun has this power, there's a choice to fight in that place"

Un, thank goodness.

Both of them seem to have accepted it without problems.

"Yosh, now then, let's return to the royal palace"

As I said that, I connected the space to our room within the royal palace with [Unique Magic • Space-time].

Probably because the frequency I am using this Skill is extremely high recently, the time taken to connect the space has become considerably shorter.

Previously, I couldn't connect without having fairly firm image, but now, just by calling it to mind, I can connect them in an instant.

Aisha + Waffle, Sylphy entered the black vortex which appeared in turns.

And then, as usual, I passed through it last and the black vortex vanished from that place.



As we returned after hunting for Skills and rested ourselves in the room prepared for us within the royal palace for a while, we were summoned by Brother-in-law-san.

“I wonder what is it... at such a time?”

As I asked Sylphy on whether she had any idea, she said that she didn’t know at all as she shook her head.

Brother-in-law-san was busy in dealing with the aftermath of the case with Claude along with King-sama, though...

At any rate, let’s go for now! I won’t know if I don’t go, after all!

As I was about to exit the room after collecting my thoughts, Waffle totteringly ran out and jumped at my back.

[Myne, I’m going too—!]

While he was saying that, he said “Heave-ho, heave-ho” as he climbed up to his usual place, my head.

Reaching his usual place, he was probably greatly delighted as he lightly purred “Wafu”, and patted my head with his pawpad as if to say “Let’s go!”.

I smiled bitterly at the usual Waffle, and walked towards Brother-in-law-san’s private room.

“...Ooh, you came, brother-in-law. Sorry for calling you suddenly...

Raja, prepare something to drink for brother-in-law... and Waffle-dono too”

As I visited his private room, Brother-in-law-san was just receiving black tea from Raja-san (?), a cat-eared maid.

Cat-eared... Demi-human, I guess? I don’t really see them in the Town of Lucas, though. I’ve only seen a few of them in the adventurer guild, I think?

As expected of the royal capital...

While admiring about a strange thing, I sat down on a chair I was offered.
Until Raja-san brought over the drinks, I made light chat with Brother-in-law-san.

As we chatted for about five minutes, the cat-eared Raja-san brought me black tea which I think is the same as Brother-in-law-san's.

I don't know what Waffle got, but she brought over a soup-like drink in a plate.

Un, delicious!

It's probably a high grade black tea which I have never drank in my whole life, as expected.

It's the drink the next King-sama is having, so it's natural for it to be a high-class item, isn't it?

"...This black tea is really delicious!, sigh, it's a drink... I will never be fated to in my whole life"

As I sighed, Brother-in-law-san burst into laughter as if something was funny.

"It's certainly a delicious black tea, but it isn't that expensive, you know.
This deliciousness isn't from the tea leaves, but rather thanks to Raja's skill"

Ehh! I see!!

It's the skill in making the black tea, huh!

As I looked at Raja-san with eyes of respect, her cat ears twitched, and her tail started swinging from side to side.

Her face is normal, but from her attitude, it's easy to understand that she's happy.

"Wafu!"

Because Waffle suddenly raised his voice, I looked at him in a panic... probably, he's antagonistic to Raja-san.

His ears were twitching and his tail was swinging wildly.

The difference is that Raja-san's expression is normal, but Waffle made an greatly

triumphant look.

No, Waffle? It isn't amazing even if you make a face saying "I can do that too—", you know?

We were healed by Waffle's adorableness for a while, but shortly afterward, Brother-in-law-san's expression stiffened, and he called out to me.

"Now then, there's only one thing I want to say to you for calling you out. You remember the talk about your training from before, don't you?"

"Yes! I remember!"

Un, I remember it firmly!

If I remember correctly, I was told that I will be given training so that I can fight without relying on my Skills!

"I see, did you properly put into practice the training method I passed to you when I was returning?"

"Yes! Every morning... not really, as expected, but I took as much time as I could to do it!"

Probably satisfied with my answer, Brother-in-law-san said "Un, un" as he nodded happily.

"The post-treatment of Claude's case has mostly been finished, so from tomorrow on, I will start coaching the knight's training again, but..."

Aah, I see.

The time Brother-in-law-san can take is for coaching the knights, huh.
...However, he's busy so that is out of the question.

The reason he's busy is because of Claude's case, huh.

"And so. I was thinking of having Myne participate in that training. Myne's ability is certainly terrifyingly strong, and everyone who heard about that ability probably accepts that.

However, your opponents from now on won't only be monsters.
That's why, I want you to study properly on how to use that power"

Hearing Brother-in-law-san's words, the figure of "that" Hume I saw from the back of Jormungandr-sama surfaced in my mind for a moment.

"In the end, it's the same as Raja's skill in making black tea which you admired just now.

With her skill, ordinary tea leaves have a taste rivalling that of high grade tea leaves. So, if it was made with high grade tea leaves in addition to that skill, what will happen? Right now, you are black tea used with high grade tea leaves, but made without skill"

Aah, it's as Brother-in-law-san said.

From now on, my battles will definitely not end simply by relying on Skills.

There will be opponents who have intelligence, and power which I cannot appraise like the black dragon from before.

Un, it's as Brother-in-law-san said, huh.

I will have to protect my family from now on.

For that, I will have to put in more and more effort.

"Yes! Please teach me many things!"

Brother-in-law-san said "Un" happily and returned a nod at my reply.

CHAPTER 92

TRAINING BEGINS

“All members, stand in line!!!!”

The knight leader’s command resounded throughout the wide maneuvering range.

Right after that command, the members of the first and second knight unit simultaneously gathered, and finished standing in line.

I, a humble hunter from the rural area, was dumbfounded by their movements which were in perfect order.

“...Uwaa, they’re amazing”

Looking at my dumbfounded expression, Brother-in-law-san smiled.

He seems to be really enjoying something.

“All members, pay attention! His Highness Alto will speak from now”

As the members of the chivalric order are paying attention, Brother-in-law-san quickly stepped forward to in front of them, and raised his voice.

He apologised for not being able to participate in training for quite some time, and announced that he will return from today’s training onwards.

And...

“I think all of you know as well, the First Princess, Sylphid, will be marrying.

Sylphid’s partner will be this Myne over here.

He’s a young man with a promising future, but his inexperience is undeniable.

Therefore, I was thinking of leaving you with him and strictly train him starting from his foundation”

As he declared that, I was entrusted to the team made up of the knights whom I have been indebted to during the game in the Divine Spirit Forest.

“Myne-dono, I look forward to working with you”

“Myne-dono, let’s work hard!”

Although I’ve met them for only two short days, the knights who I were acquainted with greeted me.

“Yes! Just like what His Highness Alto said, I am a novice, so please take care of me!”

After exchanging greetings, our training immediately started.

In order for the foundation, the body to get stronger, it seems that the first basic curriculum is to do long training runs.

This long training run.

Although it’s the basic, it seems that the knights regard this fairly highly, so there are a lot of members who would do it even if it’s not a training day.

I also participated in this training without using my Skills, but it was harder than I thought.

There were only people who train regularly around me, so I, who do not have enough stamina, was quickly left behind.

It’s as Brother-in-law-san said.

Certainly, I understand well that I completely lack these basic things.

...It was really tiring and difficult, but at any rate, I desperately chased after the backs of the knights who were running in front of me.

It’s okay even if I can’t catch up to them now.

However, I will absolutely complete this until the end.

As I made a strong determination, I was determined on moving my legs, and I ran... for about an hour.

The long training run finally ended.

I collapsed at that spot, and devoted myself to adjust my breathing as I gasped for air.

As I did that, Brother-in-law-san who had run with us came towards me.

He seemed to be subtly sweating, but his breath isn’t disordered at all.

“Nice work, for persevering until the end, Myne”

“...Haa, haa... I feel my... own lack of... stamina...”

As I said that while gasping, Brother-in-law-san folded his arms and started laughing loudly.

No, it's okay for you to laugh that much...

“How was it? Have you come to understand what I said a little?”

“...Yes...”

“Since the problem of distance between the royal capital and the Town of Lucas is gone, from now on, you'll come here to learn.

In your case, by preparing your foundation as much as you can until a certain extent, you'll become extremely strong.

Listen, it might be difficult, but you'll have to complete it without fail.

The next program is calisthenics, this is also an essential component in the important body-building.

Firmly come with us”

Saying that, Brother-in-law-san returned to the place where he looked over the knights once more.

...But, Brother-in-law-san looked over his shoulder suddenly and said a few words.

“Aah, I forgot to say it, you can't relieve your fatigue with recovery magic, okay?

It won't do you any good.

It's important to boost your body's ability to heal yourself, after all”

Saying that, this time he left this place.

Then, while I haven't fully recovered my stamina, the calisthenics started, just as Brother-in-law-san declared.

First, a few sets of exercise to stretch the body's muscles was carried out.

After doing calisthenics with my legs spread while maintaining my breath at a fixed rate and exhaling, pairs were formed.

In order to stretch muscles which aren't usually used, one's legs were spread until an impossible angle.

In a glance, it seems like a simple practice, but it's difficult in a different meaning than the previous long training run.

Thanks to the pain, I seriously felt like fainting.

The calisthenics which can be said to be hell, as expected, was conducted for about an hour like the long training run.

"...I'm going to die..."

I, who once again lay down on the ground in the 大 shape, let out a single sentence.

To me, who had never done anything like professional training until now, this is a really fresh experience, but...

As expected, a difficult thing is difficult no matter what...

"...The knights are all amazing, huh..."

The knight leader who heard my casual mutter smiled as he called out to me.

"Myne-dono, we've been doing this for a long time.

We're different from Myne-dono who is experiencing this for the first time today. Rather, I think you are working hard even though it's your first time"

...Un, that's certainly true.

Even my favourite sunflowers won't sprout immediately after planting the seeds.

Just like Brother-in-law-san said, accumulating everyday is important.

Un, let's keep at this!

Knight Leader-san, I truly thank you for comforting me!

I believe it is a longish break after the calisthenics.

Now then, I wonder what's the next training?

"Yosh, Myne, come here. From now on, it is your personal training"

Called by Brother-in-law-san, he then brought me to the edge of the training ground.

“Hold this”

Brother-in-law-san said that, and what he handed me was... the wooden dagger I used in the previous mock battle.

Mn? Are we having another mock battle??

“I’ll show you a few dagger styles, so look closely.

Once you’ve become familiar with it, I’ll assign a guy who specialises in daggers, but let me first show you examples”

Saying that, Brother-in-law-san showed me a few styles of using the dagger for a while. After doing about ten styles, I was told “Try doing the same thing,” and I quickly attempt it.

“...Wrong, that’s not how you do it! The way you’re moving your arm is completely wrong!”

“That’s not it! Relax your shoulder more!”

“Yes, that’s it! Swing it!... Wrong, remember how I did it just now!!”

I was made to redo over and over again, and before I realised, my whole body was covered in sweat.

“...Let’s take a break”

Once again, I sat down hard on the ground.

I’ll definitely have muscle pains tomorrow... , I don’t think there’s any doubt in that.

“Listen, Myne, after you finished resting, relax and try to think about your condition.

Right now, your tiredness is at the peak, right?

Try to naturally relax your body and cut down on unnecessary movements.

If you move as such, it’ll be half the battle won.

After that, you should memorise that movement with your body”

While receiving such an advice, I passed my break, and once again restarted my form practice.

...In the end, that day's training ended two hours after that.

"You worked hard, good work"

As I lay down exhausted, Brother-in-law-san spoke some words of appreciation.

CHAPTER 93

MOCK BATTLE (1)

The joint training involving the first and second knight unit, coached by Brother-in-law-san ended without incidents.

I was overwhelmed by my own “lack of stamina”, rather than the “lack of skill” which Brother-in-law-san said.

I was able to greatly experience personally how much I relied on my Skills when battling all this time.

“...Uu, my body’s aching all over...”

Even when I tried to stand up, my legs were shivering greatly so I couldn’t stand up well.

“Wafu!”

Mn? Waffle? Did he come for me?

As I looked in the direction of the bark, there was Waffle, wagging his tail as he was carried in Aisha’s arms.

“...Danna-sama, you look quite tired”

From beside Aisha, Sylphy called out to me.

“...Everyone, you came”

“Are you alright? It seems like it has been very hard on you...”

Aisha looked at me worriedly.

As expected, I seem very weak in others’ eyes, huh...

In actuality, my legs are shaking and I can’t even stand up properly...

“It seems like you can’t stand up... Danna-sama, here, hold on”

I took the hand Sylphy held out, and somehow stood up.
However, I can't control my feet well...

"Da, Da, Danna-sama..."

I accidentally collapsed as if pushing down Sylphy.

"S, sorry!"

Aisha pulled me up from my back and I was somehow able to stand up, but I blushed fiercely at the sudden accident.
Just like me, Sylphy's face was also bright red.

Brother-in-law-san and the knight leader who had been looking at the scene from a distance grinned, but I'll ignore them for now.

[Myne, what's wrong—? Your face is red—]

Most likely, Waffle really doesn't understand.
However, having asked that at this timing is quite embarrassing.

"N, nothing! Waffle!!"

As I skillfully avoided the question, I borrowed Aisha's shoulder and escaped the place with readiness.

"Myne, come here tomorrow as well!"

I heard Brother-in-law-san's voice coming from behind me, and after I turned my head back and nodded, I continued my escape to our room.

Even if she is my fiancée, even if it is an act of God, it's a fact that I pushed her down in the presence of the public.
Talk about embarrassing.

...I don't want to look at the knights' faces tomorrow...



“...Aah, that was embarrassing”

I who finally arrived at our room then tottered to the bed and collapsed on it.

“...If I remember correctly, I can't use recovery magic, right?”

Aisha looked at me as she enquired of Sylphy, whose face was still red, as expected.

“...A, aah...

You can't use recovery magic to heal fatigue.

Only by self-healing completely with one's own strength can it be helpful”

Sylphy also apologetically looked at me and clearly declared that.

“...Thanks, both of you.

I was also told by Brother-in-law-san to not use recovery magic so I'll hang on.

I'll obediently enter the bath and immediately go to sleep for today”

While saying that, I disobediently move my body forcibly and stood up in order to prepare to enter the bath.

[Bath—, bath—, I'm going in too—]

Aah, come to think of it, when we previously entered the bath, Waffle was also strangely pleased with the bath...

While dog paddling, he was happily swimming smoothly in the bath...

[Un, in that case, why don't you join me?]

As I said that, Waffle wagged his tail wildly and charged at me.

Ah, don't! Not today, do— not— tackle me—!—!—!

I who had trouble even with just standing on my own, couldn't stop Waffle's happy tackle with his whole body...

Once again, I staggered as I collapsed onto my bed.

As I did that, Aisha and Sylphy held my arms from both my sides and helped me stand up.

““We’ll be entering together as well♪””

...Un, I had thought that this would happen.



The training from the next day onwards was also extremely severe (for me), but at the same time, I was able to certainly noticed a good, expected result.
My body was able to move better day by day, without a doubt.

Well, even that, when compared to Brother-in-law-san, the knight leader, and the others, it’s still child’s play.

My mood is lifted if I get results, so my motivation is gushing forth.
At any rate, I moved my body everyday as I have been told, and continued swinging my dagger.

And then, the eve of the wedding ceremony has finally arrived.
By the way, until the eve of the wedding ceremony, in other words, today, I’ve completed one part of this training.

“Now then, Myne, for now, we’ll end this part for today.
Now, I was thinking of having a mock battle in order to see the results from the training”

Brother-in-law-san announced to me.

“Will I be battling Brother-in-law-san again?”

“No, you’ll be fighting without using Skills, it’s still too harsh for me to be your opponent, isn’t it?”

Un, it’s certainly as he said.
I’ve seen Brother-in-law-san giving the knights lessons many times during training, but I don’t think I can win against him at all.

If Skills are okay, but setting that aside, fighting with Brother-in-law-san without my Skills, I want him to hold back if possible.

“...Ummm, in that case, who’s my opponent??”

As I asked that, the knight leader led one of the knights over.

“He’s the most promising one of the young members.” I guarantee his strength”

I see, if my opponent is a young knight, it’ll be just right for me right now, huh?
Let’s do our best, as if practicing with someone of higher skill!

“Understood! I’ll try my best!”

As I returned such an answer, the young knight-san quickly came in front of me, put his hand on his chest and bowed.

“Nice to meet you, Myne-dono, I am Carl, a member of the second knight unit.
I am weak, but I shall strive to become your opponent with all my power.
Please take care of me”

Un, he’s a really polite person!

I feel that he’s a knight among knights! No wonder he was endorsed by Knight Leader-san.

He’s busy, but spared time for my sake.
Thank you!

“Thank you for being my opponent even though you’re busy!”

As I said that and expressed my gratitude, Knight Leader-san smiled wryly and said this.

“No, he strongly wished to become Myne-dono’s opponent no matter what.
That’s why, you don’t need to humble yourself that much”

Eh? He wanted to fight me?

...This is the first time I’m meeting him, but I wonder if I did anything to him.

I was surely making an uneasy expression.

In a panic, Carl-san waved both his hands and explained “It’s not like anything happened!”.

“...Aah, thank goodness”

Probably because I was relieved, Carl-san also put his hand to his chest and felt relieved.

Un, he really seems like a good person.

Yosh, he’s gone so far as to become my opponent.

Though it’ll only be a short while, let’s test the results of my work!

CHAPTER 94

MOCK BATTLE (2)

“Well then, the mock battle will commence! Bow to each other!”

It's my first battle not using Skills, though it's a mock battle.

Probably because of nervousness, I could feel the insides of my mouth becoming strangely dry.

My opponent is the hopeful young member of the knight order, Carl-san. Because it's my first time seeing him, I have absolutely no idea how he fights.

By the way, the use of [Appraisal • Complete] was prohibited by Brother-in-law-san.

That's why I'll have to judge with the information I have and fight.

Carl-san's weapon is the spear, and on top of that, he readied a long spear in his right hand and a short one on his left.

...It's probably the [Dual Wield] Skill.

However, the use of Skills are prohibited in this battle.

That doesn't only apply to me, but also Carl-san, so it's not a Skill, but...

Unconcerned with my confusion, the signal to start the battle came from Knight Leader-san.

“Battle, start!!!”

Carl-san slowly closed the distance between us along with shouts.

“Fufu, Myne-dono, you seem to be perplexed? The battle's already started, you know”

...Aah, that's certainly true.

I don't have time to be confused.

If I were to be careless, I will suffer like when I fought with the caterpillar previously.

(TLN: Waaaaay back in the first 10 chapters.)

Not to mention the fact taht I will have a family from now on.

I can't die and leave my family because of my negligence.

I also held my daggers in both of my hands, and squared off with Carl-san.
Even without Skills, the sensation when using Skills certainly remains in my body.

Because of that, this dual wielding is absolutely not some borrowed plumes.
...Perhaps, Carl-san's also the same.

"...I see, that stance... it looks splendid now.
Does that mean you weren't looking at my stance and imitating it?"

Saying that, Carl-san started charging towards me with the long spear projected in front of him.

F, fast!

...However, compared to when Brother-in-law-san suddenly appearing in front of me...!

I'll predict Carl-san's movements as he's appraoching me, and avoid it with a back step.
After that, I'll approach his bust and get a hit in!

As I decided that in a moment, I jumped backwards until the range where the spear just barely misses.

"Yosh! I avoided it!!"

Thinking that, and in the moment I tried to leap in in order to counterattack, the spear which I avoided... extended!

"Eh!?"

Understanding the situation, and I made movements to avoid it but... it was too late...
In the instant I aimed to counterattack, Carl-san's long spear hit my side like a counter.

"Guha!!"

Although it's a wooden spear, it's power is tremendous.
I staggered and reflexively collapseed.

...If this was serious, I would have died.

What in the world happened?
There's no doubt I avoided Carl-san's attack.

!!!!

This isn't the time to think, Carl-san thursted towards me in order to deal the finishing blow.

...This time he swung his short spear downwards.

"Kuh!! As if I'll let you!"

I endured the pain in my flank and stacked my two daggers in the + shape, and stopped the short spear's blow.

Then I aimed at Carl-san and threw the dagger I was holding on my right hand.

He probably didn't think that I would let go of my weapon, Carl-san avoided it with a surprised expression... but, with his surprise, his movements became large, and a moment of chance was presented.

I won't miss this chance!!

I gripped my right hand which threw out the dagger tightly, aimed at Carl-san's solar plexus and swung it at full strength.

...He probably never thought that the hand which isn't using a dagger would come hitting him.

My fist accurately hit Carl-san's solar plexus.

This isn't my first time attacking with my fist without using any Skills.
Although I staggered a little, I think I've delivered damage which isn't something to be trifled with.

“Guh!”

Carl-san’s body bent into a < shape.

I’ll have to quickly take some distance and recover even a little...!

Carl-san was probably thinking the same thing as well.

Like me, he back stepped and separated from me.

“Kuh, I never thought that you would throw away your weapon and hit me...”

Now then, I’ve somehow got away with a clever scheme, but there’s no doubt that the situation’s unfavourable to me.

If I don’t see through the true identity of that extending spear, Carl-san’s first hit, I feel like I won’t have a chance of winning.

What in the world was that?

I certainly avoided it, but...

Did I possibly made a mistake in estimating the distance?

...No, that isn’t it.

Although it was just barely, it’s a fact that I avoided it.

However, after that, the spearhead extended.

...Yosh, let’s test it out.

I wear the dagger I had been holding in my left hand on my waist and became unarmed.

I then relaxed, and took a relaxed stance.

Looking at my state, Carl-san frowned for a moment but immediately reset his expression and called out to me.

“...It doesn’t seem like... you’ve given up on this match, right?

Now, now, what are you thinking, I wonder”

Don’t mind it, he’s only agitating me to read my thoughts.

What I have to do right now is to concentrate all my effort on evading and to know Carl-san's attack's secret.

What I learnt during the training, from the breath of the opponent and the movement of his muscles... to predict his movements from such things.

Probably not really understanding the meaning of my movements, Carl-san carefully wait and see.

As expected, it seems like he isn't carelessly jumping in.

Yosh, now then...

"...What's wrong? Carl-san, are you afraid of this unarmed me?"

I tried to provoke him, which is unlike me, but how is it?

"A direct provocation..."

I understand that, but alright. I'll take the bait!"

Ahaha... I seem to have been found out.

However, result-wise, it seems to be good!

While smiling, he fiercely started charging towards me.

"I don't know what you're thinking, but I'll end this now!"

What Carl-san chose was the long spear's attack, like the first one.

Yes! That's exactly what I had been waiting for.

A blow from the spear was unleashed against me.

Un, up until now, it was a completely normal attack.

There isn't anything particularly... Mn? What's that? The movement of his shoulder muscles... something feels out of place?

Huh? What's this, it's not just his shoulders, this strange sense of discomfort is?

The attack this time was different from before, and he doesn't plan to counterattack. I didn't avoid it barely, but backstepped greatly.

Then, even while avoiding the spear, I concentrated on Carl-san's right shoulder which I felt was out of place and observed it closely.

As I did that, Carl-san pulled his shoulder back and pushed it out in front of him. Moreover, his right pivot foot made a step forward.

I see, that's what I felt was out of place.
He changed his pivot foot and approached, huh.

By advancing his pivot foot, and pushing his spear in front after pulling back his shoulder, to the opponent, it looks like the spear had extended.
I see, certainly, this is a "technique".

Devoting myself to avoiding, I had some room, and could completely avoid this attack. As took a glance at Carl-san, I could see that he had quite the vexed expression.

It was probably a blow he was confident in.
In reality, thanks to this attack, I was driven until I was just one step short of losing.

However, if I know the trick behind it, this match is mine!

From now on, I'll start my counterattack!

CHAPTER 95

MOCK BATTLE (3)

The beginning will be Carl's POV.

...What the, is this really the same person who was just recently nothing but a novice? I had thought that he would change to attacking me with fists like before when he went unarmed, but...

Him concentrating on avoiding in order to read my movements...

...Although I was called a promising recruit, I'm still naive as well.

I didn't hear it in detail, but it seems that he has wonderful Skills.

I heard the other day that using those Skills, he led in solving the case with Claude which the chivalric order has been pursuing for a while.

I heard that he negotiated with a black dragon, saved Adol, and was bestowed the title "Dragon Mediator".

However, even he who had such military exploits is an ordinary commoner without his Skills.

Even though he's just a poor hunter... he could go so far as to marry Her Highness Sylphid who I long for.

Piling up achievements, becoming the leader of the knights, having military exploits that no one can complain about... Her Highness Sylphid, who he's marrying.

...Of course, I understand.

That this is merely a trivial selfish delusion of mine.

A man who crushed such dreams of a poor knight recruit... That man is in front of my eyes.

There's nothing I can say against him.

However, at least in this mock battle... there's no way I can lose to him!!!

I'm bitter that he saw through my attack and avoided it, but it's not like I lost, and I'm having the advantage situation-wise.

Readying my short spear in front of me, I observed my opponent's [Myne] movements as if slowly drawing a circle.

...He's not equipping his dagger, and is still unarmed.

Since he used a dagger before, there shouldn't be a doubt the weapon he is strong in is the dagger.

However, the punch he showed previously was quite sharp, so... I cannot be careless.

At the moment I thought that, he moved.

He charged towards me with an intense force.

What? Did he give up on the battle and is rushing in, resolute in an honourable defeat?

No, that's not it! He already saw through my technique, there's no way he's performing a kamikaze attack.

...However, what is with this charge full of holes? Good grief, I can't read his intentions at all.



Yosh, I've roughly grasped Carl-san's movements.

...I think I can probably do this.

It'll be a godsend if this goes well! Let's do this!

I played my movements over in my mind, and become confident that I can turn my thoughts into reality.

Now then, I'll start counterattacking!

Unarmed, I charged towards Carl-san with all my might.

Fufu, I surely look desperate in Carl-san's eyes.

As I predicted Carl-san's mental state, a slight smile surfaced on my face.

Yosh, let's make an emergency brake here... and... guh, the shock is harsher than I expected.

I slipped into Carl-san's bust and turned in one go.
And in the middle of my turn, I equipped the dagger on my waist with my right hand, and made my "right leg the pivot" as I stabbed it out.

Carl-san will naturally dodge it, but I pulled back my right shoulder and stabbed the dagger in deeper.

...Yes, I returned the attack Carl-san showed me earlier.

The dagger I stabbed out directly hit the right part of Carl-san's chest.

"Guwa!!"

I pursued Carl-san who fell backwards from the attack, and thrust the dagger right at his face at the place he fell at.

"Stop!!"

The knight leader declared the end of the battle.

Phew, although it was ad lib, I'm glad that it went well.

I let out a deep sigh, and then sat down.

"...That was shocking, I never expected that you would use my technique against me"

Un, I was surprised as well.

Of course, I thought that I could do it, but I think it went better than I expected.

"As expected of the Dragon Mediator, I guess?"

"...That way of address... please stop..."

Aah, just like Prime Minister-san's plan, this title... seems to have spread favourably～.

It's really embarrassing so I wish it'll stop, though.

As I talked with Carl-san, Knight Leader-san and Brother-in-law-san, and also, Sylphy and Aisha, along with Waffle came to where we were.

...Huh? Why is even my family here?

I told them not to turn up in the middle of training though...

"That was splendid! Myne-dono!!"

The knight leader held out his hand while speaking words of gratitude.

I gripped the hand he held out, and thanked him.

"No, it's thanks to Carl-san! I only imitated Carl-san, after all!!"

"...You can't imitate a technique you see for the first time so easily though"

Brother-in-law-san talked to me with an amazed tone.

...Well, even if you say that, I already did.

"Wafu!"

Waffle jumped greatly from on top of Sylphy's head and flew towards me.

...Wait, Waffle? I said this many times, but the person you were on is this country's princess, you know? Do you understand?

I wonder if he heard the voice in my mind or not...

Waffle turned his cute round eyes towards me, saying [What is it? What is it?] as he wagged his tail wildly while climbing his way up me.

[...No, it's nothing...]

Well, Sylphy doesn't seem to particularly mind it, so it's okay, I guess...

No matter what, Waffle's a Divine Beast, after all.

"Danna-sama! That's amazing!! The fruits of these few days of training's showing already, isn't it!?"

...You're Carl, right? Sorry, are you hurt anywhere?"

"...I am alright.

More importantly, congratulations on your marriage, Your Highness Sylphid!"

"Mn? Aah, thanks"

"I have heard of Your Highness' valour, and revere Your Highness from the bottom of my heart!"

It seems that Sylphy and Carl-san has started talking, huh.

"Myne-kun, thank you for your hard work!"

This time, it's Aisha handing me a towel while greeting me.

"...It's also difficult for Hime-sama, isn't it?"

"Indeed, I never thought that that Carl would..."

Somehow, this time, Aisha and the knight leader are looking at Sylphy and Carl-san while conversing about something I don't understand.

[Waffle, do you understand?]

[Nopeー!]

Is that so...

Well, nothing I can do about it.

Rather than that, the mock battle's ended after all, so that means my training is more or less completed, right??

As I enquired of Brother-in-law-san, he accepted it, saying "Yeah".

"This training has certainly ended, but I hope you come here and participate if you have time.

Continuing this kind of training is good for the body, after all.

I'll run it by the knight units on my side, so don't worry and come"

Although it was only for a short period, it was really enlightening! I even learnt a new technique, after all!

Furthermore, I can participate from now on as well...!

Brother-in-law-san, thank you for creating this opportunity for me, thank you!

"Eh? Sylphy? Carl-san is...?"

But he said [Congratulations on your marriage] didn't he?"

Uun, I didn't notice at all...

What Aisha and the knight leader was talking about was this, huh.

Tte! That's not right!!!

Sylphy's my wife, you know!? Even if you say that, I'll be troubled, you know!!

As I was in a feverish haste, Aisha breathed a sigh as she said "Please calm down" before patting my head.

...Aisha, you're becoming more like Waffle, you know...

"It's not that "Hime-sama has feelings for Carl-dono", but it's Carl-dono who has feelings for Hime-sama, you know.

There's no way Hime-sama will be swayed by someone other than Myne-kun, right? Moreover, even the wedding has been decided, there's no way the royal family will allow it.

Perhaps, I think that there may be a lot of other people who desire Hime-sama as well, you know?"

Aah, I see.

That's right. That shocked me.

Once again, I realised the Princess Knight's popularity...

"By the way, Myne-kun? The Hime-sama we were talking about seems to be troubled, you know.

Isn't it about time for you to bring her along, I wonder?"

Taking a closer look, Sylphy was glancing repeatedly at me, and was sending glances as if imploring me.

I wonder if she wanted to escape from Carl-san but can't now?

Yosh, let's go receive her!

I've also received authorisation from Brother-in-law-san that the training has been successfully completed, after all.

I'll have to quickly return to the room and rest!

"Sylphy, it's about time to return!"

As I called out to Sylphy, a really happy expression broke out on her face as she nodded strongly.

"Aah! Understood, Danna-sama.

Your training's ended after all, let's return to the room and take it easy.

That's how it is, so I'm sorry, Carl. I'll work hard from now on as well"

Sylphy said that and hurriedly grabbed my arm as she left Carl-san... no, escaped from him.

As I took a peek at Carl-san, he was looking at me with an extremely disappointed, and on top of that, seemingly sad expression.

When he noticed me looking at him, he showed a scary expression for an instant, but immediately made a slight bow towards me.

Un, as expected, he's a good person...

Though of course, I will not hand Sylphy over!

Making such an ambiguous resolution in my mind, we returned to our room in the royal palace.



“Listen! That guy...

When I tried to end the conversation, he skillfully mixed the conversation and changed the topic, and it won't end!”

Since arriving at the room, Sylphy had been doing nothing but continuing on complaining about her conversation with Carl-san.

With her position, she can't put it in words in public, huh.

This is a rare thing for her, and it's also good for her to spit everything out here.

...By the way, Waffle and Aisha escaped, and I'm the only one who is listening to Sylphy's grumbles.

The content of Sylphy's grumbles are repeated over and over, and the two people (?) escaped the moment it entered the third repetition.

Eh? How many times does this make, you ask?... It's... the fifteenth time.
I'm enduring quite a lot of stress.

“Excuse me! King-sama gave a summon.

Her Highness Sylphy, Myne-dono, Aisha-dono, Waffle-dono...

Please make your way to King-sama's private room immediately”

A maid's call reached us.

...Somehow, I have a bad premonition for this summon from King-sama...

CHAPTER 96

HOUSE NAME

A summon from King-sama...

I can only feel a bad premonition from it.

However, we've been summoned, so there's no way we can not go.

His Majesty isn't just this country's king, but will become my father-in-law as well.

However, I wonder what His Majesty needs?

His Majesty didn't just call for me, but my whole family, good grief, I can't think of anything.

Furthermore, the meeting isn't in the office or audience room, but His Majesty's private room.

It might be something His Majesty doesn't want exaggerated.

"...Sylphy, have you heard of anything?"

As I asked that, she shut her eyes and pondered for a while, before shaking her head.

...I wonder what it is.

Did some big problem like Claude's case happen?

However, if that's the case, Brother-in-law-san would say something about it during training...

"No use thinking about something we don't know! Let's hurry to King-sama's place"

At those words, Waffle moved to the top of my head, and Sylphy and Aisha stood up and followed me.

"Wafuu!"

Waffle urged me to hurry up and go by patting my head as usual.

It's not because I was urged, but we hurriedly moved to King-sama's private room.

"Sorry for summoning you so suddenly"

When we arrived at the room, King-sama's apology flew towards us.

Probably because I am his son-in-law, he somehow easily apologises to me, huh...

As expected, even if I am his son-in-law, I am but an ordinary commoner...

"King-sama, please do not fuss about a commoner such as I.

If anyone else sees this, they will surely not feel good about this"

As I reservedly said that, King-sama let out a "Oh", as if impressed, and after making a serious expression for a moment, His Majesty started laughing heartily.

"Uhahahahahaha, I know where I am.

I of course won't do such things in public.

Also it's only because we're in my private room"

...That's not what I meant, but, well, if King-sama says that himself, then isn't it fine?
And, the reason we were called here... I wonder if it's bad to mention it with this atmosphere?

"And, Chichiue, what's the reason you called us here?"

As expected of Sylphy, so straight to the point!

...I wonder if it's because they're parent and child?

"Aah, that's right! Sorry for digressing"

While King-sama said that, he sat down on a chair, and prompted us to sit as well.

"...Did some kind of big matter happen again?"

As I said that, Sylphy and Aisha's faces stiffened.

Since the battle with the black dragon was dangerous, I requested them both to stay at home, but both of them have the blessing of Skills.

I think they both have the power to defeat Orc Generals by themselves, so no matter what happens, they will probably follow me.

I think they're nervous since they know that.

I don't think it's another dragon class case, but...

"Hm? Aah, I see... That's why you have such nervous expressions, isn't it?

It's completely different from what you think.

If there are many cases at the class of dragons attacking in this period of time, even I can't bear it, you know?"

...Un, it's certainly as King-sama says.

If calamity class monsters like dragons frequently attack, it will be the end of this world.

However, if it's not an incident, then why were we called here?

I can't imagine the reason we were called here at all.

I certainly do not think that we were called to have a chat or something...

Looking at our expressions of doubt, as if saying "Then what is it?", King-sama wryly smiled as he continued speaking.

"Umu, tomorrow will finally be your wedding ceremony, right?

We will deal with the nobles like we had talked about before there.

I want you to decide on a house name by tomorrow morning"

House name, huh... It certainly is necessary, but this is quite sudden, isn't it?

I wanted more time to think about it, though...

"Hm? I told Sylphy to decide on it, though..."

His Majesty probably saw my perplexed expression, that's why King-sama said such a thing with a little worried tone.

...Aah, come to think of it, we did talk about such a thing a little.

I've forgotten about it completely...

As I took a glance at Sylphy, her arms were folded as she looked back at me with reproachful eyes, as if saying You forgot, didn't you?

...I was busy all this time as well. Won't you please forgive me...

"Understood! Tomorrow morning, right? I will work hard in thinking about it!!"

Cheerfully answering, I decided to quickly return to our room.

I'll have to hurry up and think of one!

"Now then, let's start our second family meeting!"

As we returned to our room and I immediately announced that, Aisha inserted a retort without delay.

"Second, you say? We didn't do a first though?"

"Yeah, I don't remember it either, you know?"

Huh? Did both of them forget it?

"The first one was when we decided on Waffle's name!"

Their responses were exactly opposite, with Sylphy saying "Oh!" and Aisha"... That was a meeting?".

Huh? Was that not a meeting?

"In any case, this is the second time! I was thinking of deciding on our house name!

Sylphy said that before but I completely forgot about it...

Because of that, it's become this hurried... I'm really sorry"

As I lowered my head, Sylphy wryly smiled as if saying "Can't be helped" as she called out to me.

"Danna-sama, raise your head

The backbone of the family can't bow his head so easily.

There's still enough time, so let's all think of a good house name"

[I'll think about it too—!!]

So said Waffle.

...I don't mind, but Waffle... Do you know anything about house names??

"Hime-sama, it'll be fine as long as we think of a good name, so let's do our best!"

"...Un, that's right"

That being the case, we will think of our Clan's name, but...

"Let me see, I think Craft's a good name though..."

"No! Hime-sama, please think about it!
Isn't "Myne Craft" weird?!"

[Wafu! I think Sweeper is good!!]

U~n, isn't "Myne Sweeper" weird?

"Isn't Bennett better than those?
Myne Bennett, Sylphid Bennett, Aisha Bennett!
It's not bad, isn't it?!"

[Myne, is Sweeper not good?]

"No wait, Aisha! I think a house name needs to be majestic.
How about Rembrandt?"

Three hours passed like this.
...Un, this is certainly chaotic.

"...Umm, how about Fortuna?"

It's my first time giving my opinion, but is it okay?

“...Un, it’s not bad”

“That’s right, it sounds right as well”

[Wafu?]

Un, their reactions doesn’t seem too bad.

“Fortuna”... The name of the goddess who rules over destiny.

My fate has been greatly changed after obtaining my Skills.
Also, the fate of my two fiancées have changed a lot as well.

Our encounter, and even our marriage is destiny.

...That’s why I wanted to make this name our house name.

After that, we discussed for about another hour, but in the end, we finalised the house name as “Fortuna”, which I had proposed.

Waffle was adamant on “Sweeper” until the end, though!

CHAPTER 97

WEDDING CEREMONY (1)

U—n, I stretched my arm above my head as I took a deep breath.
I was steadily getting less drowsy, and my mind gradually became clearer.

Sylphy and Aisha who had been sleeping beside me haven't seem to show any signs of waking up.

...This day has finally come.

It's finally the wedding, huh. Somehow, I feel like it finally feels real.

The ceremony will be held in the morning at the shrine, and it seems like my two wives need to be there ahead of time.

I've heard that it's because there's a formal dress for marriage ceremonies, and changing into it and putting on makeup will take time.

I myself also have formal clothes exclusive to marriage ceremonies, but it seems to be easy to put on so it won't take that much time.

It seems to be quite difficult, as both of them seem to have practised putting them on a few times when I went for the game with Claude and the others at the Divine Spirit Forest.

...To need prior preparations, being a woman is quite tough, huh.

However, both of them were delighted, even with the preparations, so as expected, a wedding ceremony's a special thing to women, isn't it?

...On the contrary, from my point of view as a man, honestly, it's something I don't really get.

For now, I think that it will feel way more real compared to now once the ceremony starts, though...

Now then, at any rate, let's enter the baths to clean off sweat and any other thing.

I carefully slipped out of the futon so that I don't wake them up.

As I did that, from a basket which had been placed a little further away from the bed came rustling noises, and Waffle crawled out from it.

In order to not wake the two up, he let out a soft bark, "Wafu!", and lifted his paw while showing me his pawpad, probably greeting me for the morning.

By the way, due to the request of the girls, Waffle sleeps in an exclusive basket bed. Why?... Of course, that is a secret.

[Myne—, where are you going—]

[The baths, are you coming too?]

[Oh—, baths—, I'm going—! I'm going too—!]

I lifted Waffle up, and happily headed towards the baths.

As expected, freshening up in the morning by entering the baths is good!

I am really glad that I came across this thing called baths at the Town of Adol.

"～♪"

Usually, it's about time for Aisha and Sylphy to come in, but...

For some reason, they're not coming in today, huh? I wonder why?

Are they perhaps still asleep?

Come to think of it, after finishing last night, both of them didn't really went to sleep.

...Perhaps they couldn't sleep because they were thinking about the wedding ceremony or something?

It might be bad if I don't quickly get out and wake them up.

...If it doesn't go well, they might not make it in time to change into the garments.

As I started thinking that, I wasn't able to sit still, and decided to quickly get out from

the bath.

I told Waffle who had been happily dog paddling in the bath and making “splish-splash” noises about it, and as I asked “What about you?”, he thought for a while before saying “I’m going too—” and swam to my side.

[It’s okay to stay for a while longer, you know?]

As I said that, he reasonably replied [It’s boring alone—] so I promised to enter together next time, saying [Sorry, let’s enter and relax next time], and stepped out of the bath.

Yosh, I’ve also finished wiping my body, and as I faced the other way to call out to Waffle, and say “Let’s go look at the both of them!”...

For some reason, a large splash of water flew towards me.

“W, what!?”

What my eyes landed on was Waffle’s “shaking” his body violently.

...Aah, so that’s the case...

“Wafu?”

After wiping Waffle’s body with a towel, I re-wiped my own body and put on my clothes before heading to wake them up.

...As expected, they’re still asleep.

As expected, they weren’t able to fall asleep, huh...

Wait no, this isn’t the time to be saying something so leisurely!

We really won’t make it!

“Sylphy, Aisha, wake up! Wake up!! We won’t make it for the wedding ceremony, you know!”

As I shook both of them who had been naked, Aisha was the first to open her eyes.

“Aisha! We’ll be late, you know, quickly wake up!”

“Huh? Myne-kun...”

She was still half asleep for a while, but once she woke up and understood the situation, she screamed as she jumped to her feet.

“Kya———!We’ll be late!”

Hearing Aisha’s scream, this time, Sylphy jumped to her feet.

“W, what!? What happened?... Huh, Danna-sama...”

“Sylphy, hurry up, we’ll be late to the wedding ceremony, you know!”

“Hi, Hime-sama, this is bad, the time...”

Seeing my panic and Aisha who was at her wits’ end, she probably understood the situation.

At last, Sylphy also started acting in a fluster.

At this point in time, there is about an hour left until the appointed time.
It will take roughly 30 minutes to reach the temple with a carriage.

There’s the fact that we will be our unveiling to the citizens, so it has been planned that we will head there slowly.

“For now, enter the baths and wash of the sweat!”

As I said that, both of them rushed into the baths in a panic.

...Will today really be alright??

“...Wafu”

In the end, both of them finished their morning preparations with an unbelievable speed.

As expected, we didn’t have time to eat breakfast though...

...If the situation at the time is to be put into one word, it would be “tempestuous”.

It's a secret that I felt surprised as I looked at their figures which is fresh and different from usual.

Waffle and I could only look at them, astonished.

I never imagined that Waffle, who is a Divine Beast, would be confused and astonished.

And right now, we are in a carriage which had come from the temple to pick us up, and is now heading towards the temple.

I could hear blessings from the crowd of the people on our route there.

We also showed our faces a little from the window and lightly waved towards the people who were giving us their blessings.

For some reason, me waving my hand at such a large crowd of people feels really strange.

Receiving such a large number of blessings, the carriage we were on safely arrived at the venue of the ceremony, the temple.

...For some reason, I recalled the time when I received my Skills here.
Come to think of it, this is where my life changed greatly.

As I thought that, I felt deeply moved.

As we alighted the carriage, we were guided to different waiting rooms, separated by gender.

Aisha and Sylphy will hence change into the formal clothes exclusive for wedding ceremonies, and has been arranged to receive blessings from the head of the temple.

Waffle also followed us here.

After that, the three of us once again received blessings from the head of the temple in front Kami-sama on the altar.

As the established routine, the brides will receive blessings two times, it seems.

...Why, I wonder, I don't really understand it, though.

Originally, it was only the people who are getting wed and the temple head who can enter the altar, but our wedding ceremony is a special case, and Waffle's presence is also acknowledged.

Even though Waffle is a child, he is still a real Divine Beast-sama.

There isn't a more suitable candidate to give blessings along with Kami-sama so the temple head requested us.

By the way, the only one who knows that Waffle is a Divine Beast other than royalty is the temple head.

Now then, I finished changing and it didn't take even five minutes, just as planned... However, I have plenty of time until the real thing, but... what should I do?

As I pondered on that, a knock came from the door.

Who is it, I wonder, is it Temple Head-sama?

In a panic, I replied and as I opened the door...

There stood the male members of the royal family with King-sama leading them.

Receiving congratulatory words one by one starting from King-sama, followed by Brother-in-law-san, His Highness Lewis, and His Highness Lecter, I was deeply moved and as usual, Brother-in-law-san hit my back.

It hurt just like every other time, but for some reason, the pain felt pleasant today.

By the way, the two Queen-sama and Ari seem to have went to Sylphy and Aisha.

"Which reminds me, Myne. You have decided on your house name, have you not?"

King-sama enquired of me.

"Yes, we have decided, it will be "Fortuna""

"Oh, you have decided on quite the good house name, have you not? Very well"

Receiving King-sama's acknowledgement, from today on, my name will be changed

to “Myne Fortuna”.

Today is literally a new step in my life.

The beating of my heart quickened as I will step onto the big moment in my life in a few hours.

CHAPTER 98

WEDDING CEREMONY (2)

“...Come to think of it, Myne’s parents have passed away, have they not”

King-sama abruptly asked me that.

“Yes, they were infected by an epidemic when I was 10 years old...”

Recalling Otou-san and Okaa-san’s gentle expressions, my words unintentionally clogged up.

“Sorry, I made you remember a painful thing.

Well, I heard from Sylphy that they were the heroes of the town...

What kind of people were they... will you not tell me their names?”

“My father’s name is Dyne, and my mother’s name is Yukino... My father was a skilled hunter”

Even now, whenever I recall Otou-san and Okaa-san, I become sad.

I wanted them to participate in today’s wedding ceremony.

...Huh? King-sama’s suddenly gone quiet? I wonder what’s the matter?

As I looked at King-sama who had suddenly stopped talking, his face was ghastly pale and his body trembling all over.

...What’s wrong? Is His Majesty sick?

“King-sama, are you alright?”

“Chichiue, what’s wrong?”

Even as Onii-san and I asked, King-sama did not say anything.

His Highness Lewis and His Highness Lecter were also puzzled as they looked at King-sama.

“...I see, so that’s how it is.

When I heard about the Town of Lucas, I’ve thought of this possibility...”

“King... sama?”

I wonder why. Is King-sama’s strange condition because of hearing Otou-san and Okaa-san’s names?

Looking at Onii-san and the others, it seems that I am not the only person who doesn’t understand the situation.

“...Myne, let me declare once more.

I hereby acknowledge you as my daughter Sylphid Augusta’s partner, and shall welcome you as a part of my family!”

I, I don’t understand what is happening, but acknowledge... does that mean he hasn’t acknowledged me until now!?

As I was dumbfounded, King-sama made an expression as if a little troubled and guilty, and started talking to me.

“You do not need to make such a face.

You’re thinking “I wasn’t acknowledged until now?”, right?”

I honestly answered “Yes”.

“Let me see, if I had to say, then this declaration isn’t towards you, but rather take it as towards your parents”

“...Yes?”

Why did His Majesty declare towards Otou-san and Okaa-san?

“Before I became the king, your parents and I, along with my wife, Garnet, were in a party together”

!!!!

...Eh? This is the first time I'm hearing this, you know!?

There's a lot of stories transmitted even now about the many achievements of King-sama's party, you know!?

Otou-san and Okaa-san were in such a party!?

"K, King-sama, is that true?"

"Chi, Chichiue!? This is the first time I've heard of this as well! Is that true!?"

"Yeah, without a doubt, it's true"

When I wanted to ask King-sama to tell me about it in more detail...

Once again, the sound of somebody knocking the door resounded within the room. As I swallowed the question I had wanted to ask King-sama and opened the door, there stood the temple head who was donning a dignified outfit.

"Myne-dono, it's almost time, please follow me"

As I glanced at King-sama, he silently nodded and urged me to follow him.

...Un, I'm curious about Otou-san and Okaa-san, but I can't forget today's aim.

Furthermore, Temple Head-san himself came to receive me.

I'll have to properly thank him!

"Yes! Thank you for coming out of your way! Please take care of me for today"

As I returned a greeting, Temple Head-san showed a surprised expression before showing me a grin.

Then, I followed behind Temple Head-san to the altar.

For some reason, the path we took was narrow and complicated, so I asked about it, and it seems that basically, a hidden path and not the usual one is taken so that the bride and groom do not attract attention.

Precisely because it is a hidden pathway, it became complicated, and without someone from the temple to guide you, there is absolutely no way to arrive at the altar.

That is why Temple Head-san specially came to call me.

Walking through the hidden pathway took approximately five minutes. We arrived at our destination, the altar with God on it, a place which you could say to be extremely important within the temple.

“Now then, please stand here and wait, since you will be able to see your brides soon”

Temple Head-san informed me about that.

Walking to the top of a small platform in front of the altar, which is probably his position in the ceremony, he shut his eyes while facing my direction.

And, just as Temple Head-san said, the two beauties, dressed in wedding garments, entered this room with the altar.

Led by girls who are donning a little different outfits, probably the temple’s staff, both of them came over to my side.

Sylphy stood on my right side, and Aisha on my left.

The two girls who had led my brides here lightly bowed and left.

And, about Waffle...

After entering together with Sylphy and Aisha, he discovered me, and after barking “Wafu!” once, he trotted to in front of the altar.

Waffle entered a basket which had been prepared beforehand and is exclusive to him and sprawled inside it.

His position is that of a divine beast representative of God, not a human representative.

“...It might be presumptuous of me, but I shall be carrying out this wedding ceremony for the three of you”

Temple Head-san who confirmed that our preparations have been completed said that to us.

After the three of us who had nervous expressions nodded, Temple Head-san started singing solemnly with words I have never heard of.

It seems to be a ritual prayer of some sort, to report to Kami-sama that we will be

marrying.

At the moment the ritual prayer ended.

All of a sudden, the three of us and Waffle were embraced by a pale light.

“...Ooh!!”

Temple Head-san who saw that let out a voice of admiration.

“...So what Chichiue said was true”

Sylphy looked at the light enveloping us as she said that.

It seems that after this prayer ends, Kami-smaa bestows a special divine protection to the bride and groom, just like when someone obtains their Skills, but it's rare. What we are experiencing right now is exactly that.

...It doesn't happen to most of the people, though.

“Wonderful! Myne-dono, Your Highness Sylphid, Aisha-dono... and also, Waffle-dono. You were able to receive blessings directly from God! As far as I know, the people who received this blessing accomplished great exploits!!”

It seems that Temple Head-san is quite excited.

I tried looking with [Appraisal • Complete], and indeed, there was a divine protection called [Goddess' Blessing].

[Goddess' Blessing]: Obtains strong resistance against illnesses, injuries, and status abnormalities, etc.

...This is unexpectedly amazing.

This means my family will be healthy, right?

I wonder if the people who received this divine protection in the past also received [Goddess' Blessing].

It's not like they've seen it with appraisal, so I don't know right now, but I don't think they can accomplish great exploits with just this, so there's a high possibility they received a different divine protection.

As Temple Head-san's excitement continued, the ceremony proceeded.

"Myne Fortuna, do you swear, in front of God, that you will continue to love these two people throughout your whole life?"

"Yes! I swear!!"

"Sylphid Augusta, as well as Aisha Lorelle, do you swear, in front of God, that you will continue to love this person throughout your whole life?"

"I swear!"

As we finished our vows, we received blessings from Temple Head-san, and the ceremony finally reached its last program.

...Yes, the kiss of vow.

Honestly, it's a little embarrassing to do this in front of Temple Head-san.

However, if we don't do this, the ceremony won't end.

...Resolving myself, I first embraced Sylphy, and kissed her.

Next, I embraced Aisha, and similarly kissed her.

"With this, you are now linked by marriage! Congratulations"

Temple Head-san's declarationi resounded sonorously within the room, and we are now publicly wedded.

By the way, it's a secret that I thought that Waffle was strangely quiet, and when I looked, he was sound asleep inside the basket, probably from boredom.

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WEDDING CEREMONY (3)

The ceremony ended without problems and we are now publicly husband and wives.

Sylphy and Aisha both had smiles on their faces and seem to be delighted.

Un, I will be living with these two from now on, I'll have to do my best in earning money!

I gently held up Waffle, who had been sleeping in the basket in front of the altar, so that he isn't woken up.

"He's sleeping like a log, isn't he"

Fenrir's child, sleeping peacefully with a snot bubble.

All of us smiled at the overwhelming adorableness.

"Waffle's really cute"

The words Sylphy unintentionally leaked out is perhaps an opinion everyone present agrees on.

While getting excited from the talk about Waffle, we exited the room with the altar with smiles on our face, and were greeted by everyone from the royal family.

""Aneue, congratulations on your marriage""

"Nee-sama, congratulations!"

"Sylphy, congrats!"

Sylphy received blessings from her siblings all at once.

...Wait, I just realised.

What happened to Aisha's family!?

The impact from the members of the royal family was too strong, that I completely forgot about it until now!

“...Ah, Aisha”

As I called out to her, she smiled sweetly at me.

Then, with a soft voice so that it isn't heard by others, she whisper into my ear, “You want to ask about my family, right? I'll tell you about them next time”

Is there something wrong with them? She's smiling, but I'm a little worried...

“Myne, Aisha-dono... I'll entrust my little sister to you”

Onii-san placed his hand on my shoulder, and said that to me.

...As expected, he's worried for her.

Certainly, I haven't been able to triumphantly say “I will make her happy”.

Not in terms of years, nor in experience in life.

That's why, I will grow along with my two wives with all my might, and will one day be able to say that to the royal family with my chest puffed up with pride.

I reply with such a vow soulfully from the bottom of my heart.

“Yes! I will do my best!”

“Yes, I will become happy with Hime-sama!”

Probably sensing our determination, Onii-san encouraged us as he hit my back as usual.

“Oh, work hard, both of you!”

Seeing that, Ari, His Highness Lewis, His Highness Lecter, the princes and princesses called out to us.

“Onee-sama! I'll come over to play!

Alto-nii-sama and Lewis-nii-sama both went already, haven't they?

I heard that there's a really amazing bath! I look forward to it!”

“If Ari's going, I'm going too!

After all, I'm curious about that bath as well!!

Alto-nii-san boasted a lot about entering Myne-nii-san's bath!"

...Onii-san, what in the world are you so proud about...

"...Eeto, I don't mind you coming, but...

My house isn't pretty, nor is it spacious, it's originally a house which isn't made to receive people from the royal family..."

Yes, Onii-san and His Highness Lewis both suddenly visited my house.

...Inicidentally, Sylphy was also the same...

Huh, wait? Perhaps... the royalty do not care about such things at all... I think?

Sylphy affirmed my conclusion.

"I don't know about other countries' royalty, but at least, our family doesn't care about such things"

It's something they should care in the first place, though...

Putting aside them not caring about my house, I want them to worry more about their own safety...

Well, even so, thanks to good government by the royal family, the public order in all the towns within this country are quite good.

There's also the fact that the Adventurer's Guild is working hard in maintaining public order, but as expected, the royal family plays a big part in this good public order.

With that implication, it might be okay for them to come without reserve.

"Also, Myne-anieue.

If Anieue is here, then it will only take a moment to travel between the royal palace and Nii-san's home, right?"

Even His Highness Lewis, who is grinning, started participating in our conversation.

"...Understood, please come whenever you want"

At my declaration of defeat, the royal family let out a cheer.

...Please wait a minute. Why is King-sama and Queen-sama happy as well?
Are you coming? Are you planning to come?... No, the two of you are coming, right??

As my shoulders drooped while I let out a sigh, Sylphy who was smiling linked her arm with my right one, and snuggled up to me.

As I blushed at the sudden skin contact, Waffle who had been sleeping soundly in my arms woke up.

He probably woke up due to everyone's laughter, Sylphy coming to link arms with me, which moved his body.

“Wa～fu～”

Waffle who opened his mouth widely and made a big yawn made all of us feel warm and fluffy inside.

He then scrambled his way up to my head, his usual place, and while lifting his right paw, he greeted everyone with “Wafu!”.

Some time passed by harmoniously like that, and Temple Head-san once again came to call us.

“Everyone, congratulations for today.

I express my pleasure from the bottom of my heart for this wonderful day in the three people and their relatives lives.

From now, we will be unveiling to the citizens.

Excuse me, but please move this way”

Aah, it's finally here...

I won't become royalty, but will become one of their relatives.

It seems that because of that, such a person who is marrying royalty will have to be unveiled to the general public.

That goes for Aisha as well.

And, Sylphy herself will purely be marrying, and we will be unveiling our marriage.

Probably sensing my nervousness, Waffle patted my head as usual and cheered me up.

[Myne—, I will be following too—, Hang on—]

[...Un, I'll keep at it]

Temple Head-san stopped his steps in front of a large door.

...It's finally here.

“Well then, are you ready?

There will be a veranda after this door is opened.

Please respond by waving your hand and the like to the citizens' voices”

Before Temple Head-san finished his sentence, the door creaked as it slowly opened.

[[[[[[[Uooooooooooooooooo!!!]]]]]]]

When the door opened, I heard cheers like rumbles coming from the other side.

Sylphy majestically walked over to the end of the veranda, and smiled as she waved to the crowd.

Aisha and I joined hands, and timidly walked up to Sylphy's side.

As the citizens saw Aisha and I, they once again broke out in thunderous cheers. Then, each time Sylphy waved her hand, cheers broke out.

What's with this crowd...

It seems like perhaps all the citizens of the royal capital gathered here.

For about ten minutes, we continued waving our hands.

I happened to see Temple Head-san use some kind of Skill.

“Everyone who has gathered here, please quiet down.

From here on, Her Highness Sylphid and her partner, Myne-dono will speak”

Wait a minute!!!

Eh? What do you mean, speak?

I never heard of this, I definitely never heard of this!

I'm speaking as well? In front of this crowd? You're joking... right?

Sylphy sent a backward glance at the shaking me and began speaking.

"I am Sylphid Fortuna.

I am extremely happy that such a large crowd have gathered for us today"

Probably from the effects of Temple Head-san's Skill from before, Sylphy's voice spread throughout the whole plaza in front of the temple.

...As expected of Sylphy, she's accustomed to this, or more precisely, she's really imposing.

And, whenever she speaks a sentence, cheers resounded.

"...And, I was thinking of introducing my prided husband"

The conspicuous loud cheers which had erupted until now immediately quiet down unbelievably.

I could clearly feel everyone's gazes concentrating on me.

Aisha grasped my hands strongly and rooted for me.

Waffle cheered for me by patting my head.

And, Sylphy looked at me with a gentle gaze.

Yosh, let's do this.

As Sylphy's... , and Aisha's partner, I'll have to show them that I am not embarrassed!

I took a deep breath.

And then, I started talking from the bottom of my heart.

"Everyone, good afternoon! My name is Myne, Myne Fortuna!"

...Thus, we are now married.

Eh? What did I say in front of the citizens, you ask?
I won't say such an embarrassing thing!

I'll just say that Sylphy and Aisha both blushed furiously and felt embarrassed.

CHAPTER 100

SIDE STORY • SYLPHY'S REQUEST < UPPER >

*Side Story (-esque) for commemoration of the hundredth chapter.
It's 1.5 times longer than the usual chapters.*

This started after we returned to our home in Lucas after the wedding ceremony safely ended.

It's after Amy-san and Ari sudden sleepover ended peacefully, when it settled down for a while. (TLN: Holy. This Amy person only appeared once, at least, her name did, way back in chapter 29. The girl who got kidnapped by the orcs way back then)

"Danna-sama, Aisha... I think that it is unfair"

As we were enjoying a fun conversation as a family while having our dinner, Sylphy suddenly said such a thing.
What are you referring to?

I have no idea at all...

"What are you referring to by unfair?"

As a question mark floated above my head, I asked Sylphy, and she made a slight pout. Un, it's really rare for Sylphy to show such an expression, isn't it.

The usual dignified Sylphy is good, but a pouting Sylphy's also cute.
I was thinking about such a thing, but...

Sylphy blushed furiously, and her movements stilled.

"M, Myne-kun, you're saying out loud, out loud, you know..."

...It seems that I said it out loud.

"Da, Da, Da, Danna-sama! I'm not talking about t, that right now..."

Aisha and I waited for Sylphy who was flustered to the point of it being amusing, to calm down.

We waited for roughly five minutes.

She who had finally calmed down, Once again started talking about the “unfairness” from before.

“Phew, good grief... this Danna-sama, launching a surprise attack at me... *grumble grumble*.

...Aah, that’s right! Danna-sama! I think that it is unfair!!”

“Un, what is?”

We returned to the real issue at hand.

“Danna-sama went on a date together with Aisha only, didn’t you!”

Date...? Mm, mm, mnnn?

Ummmm, did we go on a date?

I don’t recall at all, you know?

Thinking that Aisha has an idea about it, I looked at her, and she was folding her arms and pondering.

Un, as expected, we can’t remember such a thing at all.

“...Sylphy, what do you mean by date? I don’t remember such a thing at all, though...”

As I asked her that, Sylphy was enraged, and her whole body was emitting anger.

“What are you talking about!! Both of you went to the Dungeon of Strength alone, didn’t you!”

Her breathing became rough, puffed up her chest, as if saying “How about that?”.

Dungeon of Strength... That’s a date...

I see, so to her, that is a date, huh...

I dropped my shoulders and sighed at my extremely regrettable wife’s thought.

...Aisha also sighed by my side, so her mental state's probably the same as mine.

"Hey, Sylphy? Exploring a labyrinth is a date?"

"Of course! A couple in love going afar, with only themselves for company. What can it be, other than a date?"

...I see, if you say that, if Sylphy says that, then that's that.

"...And, what does Sylphy want to do?"

"Go on a date with me!!!"

Thus, Sylphy and I once again headed to the Dungeon of Strength.

...Aisha and Waffle are house-sitting.

Waffle said [I'm going too—, I'm going too—!] until the end, but with Sylphy's one sentence, "It's not a date if the two people aren't alone together!", he was forcibly made to watch the house.

...That being the case, Sylphy and I are inside a stagecoach heading to Adol. If I used [Unique Magic • Space-time], we would arrive in a moment, but Sylphy strongly desired to take the coach.

The time of travelling is the charm of a date, she told me. Furthermore, it seems that Aisha and I travelling by coach is also one of the reasons.

Well, of course, even having a conversation with the two of us can be considered a date, but...

Where in the world did Sylphy get her information about dates from?

This is extremely mysterious.

We were able to talk about various things within the stage coach, just as Sylphy planned (?).

I feel glad that we were able to know about each other more... but...

It can't be helped, but we were extremely conspicuous within the carriage.

In the first place, Sylphy is the "Princess Knight", who boasts of overwhelming popularity from the citizens.

I also came to have no doubts about her popularity from the crowd of citizens during the wedding ceremony.

That popular beauty is right in front of their eyes so there's no way she won't receive attention.

It's a matter of course for Sylphy to be given a lot of attention, and the ordinary man beside her...

The wedding ceremony only ended the other day.

Naturally, that ordinary man is exposed as the "Princess Knight's husband", so...
...In other words, attention is also gathered on me as well.

I can hear their whisperings...

"That's the Princess Knight Sylphid-sama, right? She married, didn't she?"

"The guy beside Hime-sama is her husband, right? Isn't he still a brat?"

"However, Princess Knight-sama is really beautiful, huh"

"Wait, her husband's also quite cute, you know?"

"...Marrying Princess Knight-sama... I'm jealous of him..."

That being the case, until we arrived at Adol, honestly, I was ashamed with this bed of needles pricking me...

Sylphy's probably accustomed to this, as she doesn't seem to mind at all.

Overcoming the subtle difficult atmosphere, we finally arrived at the Town of Adol.

...Un, I'm glad that we arrived!

I've taken a lot of rides on carriages until now, but I've never been so happy arriving at the destination!

No, it really was tough...

While thinking such a thing, I relaxed my stiff body from the travel in the carriage, and

Sylphy, who looked like she didn't feel the fatigue at all, started talking to me.

"Danna-sama! Let's quickly go to the inn where you stayed with Aisha!
There can't be any differences between wives!
...Hey, let's go now!!"



"Welcome to the Silver Bell Pavilion"

The moment we entered the inn, the proprietress-san called out to us just like when I stayed with Aisha.

"Ara?"

Does she remember me? Proprietress-san faced me and asked me with a smile.

"Both of you will be staying the night, aren't you?"

As expected of a high class inn's proprietress.
From her response, there's no doubt she remembers me.

It's been quite a while since I last came, but I even feel moved in a certain sense, with her responding this way.

"...Yes, we will be staying a night. You remember me, don't you!"

"Thank you very much for favouring us"

As I said that, Proprietress-san returned a sweet graceful smile, and politely bowed.
Such a response, we might even be coming here again next time!

"...By the way, excuse me but... isn't this Your Highness Sylphid?"

Aah, as expected, she noticed.
Sylphy's really famous, isn't she...

"Aah, I am no doubt Sylphid, but I am not a princess anymore.
You don't need to fuss about me"

“I have heard that you have married.
I offer my blessings from the bottom of my heart”

Proprietress-san said that and bowed deeply at Sylphy.
She then guided us to our room, but mysteriously, we were brought to the same room as when I stayed with Aisha.

I don't think Proprietress-san aimed for this, and as I was surprised at the coincidence, Sylphy tilted her head to one side and asked me.

“What's wrong, Danna-sama?”

“Nothing, it's just that this is the same room as when we came here to stay previously”

“Ooh, I see!! To me, this is a happy thing!!”

Sylphy, who is obsessed about not being different from Aisha.
She's really happy, huh.

“...I see, this room is the one that ties Danna-sama and Aisha together, huh... It feels deeply moving if you think about it that way”

No, it's embarrassing, so please don't feel so deeply moved about such a thing!

Probably curious, Sylphy walked about the room, and checked the bed and baths.

“Now then, I generally understand the layout of the room now.
When you came here with Aisha, did you immediately enter the labyrinth after this?”

Ummm, if I remember correctly, we took a look around the town.
...We visited the general store and the weapon store, I think.

As I told her about what happened before, Sylphy pondered for a while before making a suggestion.

“In that case, why don't we visit stores other than those two?
The sundries we have at home are bought here, right?
Even for weapons, we already have the necessary ones”

That's right, there's certainly a point to that.

There's nothing we currently need for sundries, and there isn't anything new at the weapon shop.

I already have the "Weapons of Origin", after all.

"Un, that's right! Let's take a look at the other stores"

That being the case, we exited the inn and took a look around the town.

The last time I came, there were a lot of adventurers crowding around.
We walked around the town with hands joined from the very beginning.

The first shop we entered was a clothes shop.
We purchased cloth for making casual clothes for the three of us and Waffle.

We bought several pieces each, so it cost quite some money, but I think that the clothes we bought are quite nice.

It's a secret that Sylphy bought quite a few pieces of underwear she secretly got fired up about.

She probably bought Aisha's part as well...

Leaving the clothing store, and as we discussed on where should we go from here on, somebody suddenly called us from behind.

"Hey, that pretty girl over there.
Why don't you stop playing with that brat over there and come have a drink with us?
We'll treat you as much as you want"

The ones who called out to us were a pair of aggressive-looking adventurers.
They seem to have gotten a little drunk.

...As expected, there's always this type of people around.
I wonder if it's something of a miracle that we weren't entangled with such a thing before this?

Or rather, I was really surprised!

That there would be people who don't know who Sylphy is by looking at her!

Even though that many people would know that she is the "Princess Knight" in one try!

...Ah, but I myself didn't know either, so I can't say anything about other people, huh...

"Oi! That brat over there!! Get your ass out of here!

We'll be taking care of that girl! Heehee"

...Ah, this is bad.

Sylphy looks like she's about to snap.

"I'm sorry, she's my wife.

We don't have any business with you, so you should be the ones going somewhere else"

I spoke before Sylphy snaps.

I took a look with Appraisal, but both of them seem to be C-rank adventurers.

I can't be careless, but compared to Carl-san who I had fought before, they look considerably weaker.

[Take care of my little sister]

I recall these words Onii-san told me.

"Huh? Such a fine woman's the wife of a brat like you?

If you're going to lie, then make up something more believable!!!!"

While shouting that, the drunk adventurer A punched towards me.

I don't even need to dodge something like this!

I stopped his fist with my left hand, and crushed it with all my strength.

The sound of bone creaking resounded throughout the surroundings.

“Guoo, my hand!!”

I threw my right fist at the drunk adventurer A’s, who had been raving, solar plexus.

“uu...”

A groan leaked out from the drunk adventurer A for a moment, but he sank at that very place.

I called out to drunk adventurer B who became flustered at seeing me defeating his companion with one blow.

“...Will you still be picking a fight with us?
If you want to continue, I will be getting serious”

I pretended to be expressionless, and tried to speak as if uninterested.

As I did that, drunk adventurer B feebly shook his head, and fell on his backside.

“...Well then, please excuse us!”

Saying that, I took Sylphy’s arm, and left the place with quick steps.

As we walked for a while and slipped out of the hustle and bustle, I breathed a sigh.

“...Danna-sama, you were really cool!”

“Those guys thought that Sylphy’s a pushover...
As expected, I must protect Sylphy... and Aisha...”

Sylphy unrestrainedly praised me, so I answered, looking a little embarrassed.

After that, since it’s quite late, we decided to return to the inn.
It’ll be a waste if we are late for dinner, after all.

I know that the dinner in the Silver Bell Pavilion is really delicious, after all.



“It really was delicious, wasn’t it!”

“Yeah, it certainly was delicious”

Right now, we have finished our meal, and are relaxing in our room.
While the bath is being heated up, our topic is of course, the dinner we just ate.

“...Oh, it should be ready, right?
Danna-sama, let’s enter. I’ll rinse your back today”

We joined hands as we headed towards the bath, and experienced supreme bliss.

Un, baths really feel good, don’t they!

CHAPTER 101

SIDE STORY • SYLPHY'S REQUEST < BOTTOM >

“...I’ve seen this ceiling before”

This place is one of the rooms of the Silver Bell Pavilion, a high class inn located in the Labyrinth Town • Adol, where I had once stayed in with Aisha.

Furthermore, it was the exact same room, so of course I have seen it before.

And this time, the person sleeping completely naked beside me is... my other wife, Sylphy.

With her strong desire, we came to the Town of Adol on a date.

And thanks to her strong desire again, we are lodging in this high class inn • Silver Bell Pavilion.

It’s because she kept saying that she wanted to experience herself what Aisha, who is also my wife, experienced.

She’s surely satisfied with this, right?

In order to wake myself up completely, I let out a “Mnn—” as I stretched, while I was looking at Sylphy’s sleeping face.

Aisha is the cute type of beauty, but Sylphy is the cool type.

Sensing the gap between her usual form with her sometimes mumbling, as if sleep-talking, I feel that she’s adorable.

As I thought that I really have such a beauty as my wife, I feel a little happy.

...Now then, let’s take my morning routine bath.

In order not to wake her up from her good sleep, I slowly slipped out from the bed. When I was slipping out, I turned over the bed cover a little, and Sylphy’s upper half was exposed.

I've seen enough yesterday night, but I reflexively gulped as I was entranced.

The tempered body of the Princess Knight is of a splendid proportion, you could say that it's a work of art, so to speak.

"No, no, I can't look!! Let's quickly enter the bath"

I can't feel like doing it so early in the morning! That being the case, I hurriedly jogged to the bath.

Because the Silver Bell Pavilion is a high class inn, its bath uses a magic tool to heat it up and retain that heat.

For that reason, baths in rooms with guests are constantly heated.

It really helps in times like this when I urgently need to enter the bath.
My house's needs time to heat up, after all.

Pouring hot water starting from my head, I scrubbed my body clean.
I washed away the image of Sylphy's naked body in my mind along with the dirt on my body.

"Phew"

I somehow calmed down, and decided to soak in the bath until my shoulders.
...Come to think of it, the last time, this is when Aisha barged in here.

"Danna-sama! Good morning!! I've come to rinse your back!"

...Aah, as I expected.

Although we often have sex, aren't you a little too bold now, Sylphy-san?



In the end, even though I tried to dampen my enthusiasm, it was all in vain...

As always, we were just barely in time for breakfast and ate it while I was immersed in self-loathing.

On the contrary, Sylphy is eating as she hummed in a good mood.

“～♪”

Aah, the surrounding gazes hurt...

“...Sylphy, let's go to the Dungeon once we finish eating”

“Yeah! I'm really looking forward to it!”

After finishing our meal, we thanked the proprietress before departing from the Silver Bell Pavilion, and decided to head for the Dungeon of Strength.

As we reached the entrance of the dungeon, just like last time, there was a knight at the reception.

It seems that the knight is different from the one from before.

“!?”

Looking at Sylphy's face, the knight stood at attention in a fluster, and called out to her.

“Your Highness Sylphid!”

“Aah, good work. You don't need to be so respectful of me, you know?
I'm already married and not a princess anymore, after all”

Though she said that, from the knight's perspective, it's not unreasonable to respectfully obey her.

We'll have to quickly enter and relieve the knight of his anxiety.

“Good afternoon! Is it alright for us to enter?”

Just like before, we filled in the form at the reception and handed it over to the knight.

“...I have accepted it, please take this”

Receiving a metal plate, we have finished our preparations to enter.

When I tried to call out to Sylphy, “Now then, let's go in,” the knight called out for us to stop.

“Your Highness, if it is alright, we would like to send a bodyguard along...”

Aah, I see.

Before this, it was just me and Aisha, so there wasn't such a request. However, if I'm with Sylphy, then this is natural, isn't it.

Even if she is called the Princess Knight, Sylphy is still a part of the royal family. While it may be true that she has married, in actuality, it isn't something so simple.

From the knights' point of view, if some kind of accident happens, if in the unlikely even that something happens to Sylphy, it will become a disaster. The request for the bodyguard is in a sense a matter of course.

“No, I appreciate it, but it's not needed. There won't be any problems with just me and Danna-sama”

Even though Sylphy clearly rejected him, the knight refused to back down as he said “Please”.

The dialogue continued for a while, but in the end, the knight reluctantly backed down at Sylphy's angry look.

“...I'm finally on a date with Danna-sama, so why must I go with a bodyguard”

As she muttered that, I grasped Sylphy's hand and we stepped into the labyrinth.

#Dungeon of Strength, 1st Floor

We arrived at the 1st floor's boss room in the blink of an eye.

Sylphy instantly killed the slimes that appeared.

I didn't participate in battle, and did nothing but gather “Continuous-type Skills”. (TLN: Author didn't call it continuous type, but slight-type. Why slight? Because the descriptions of the continuous skills are “become slightly stronger” etc. That slight is what the author focused on, weirdly enough. For now, I'll call it continuous type, until

the reason for this is revealed in the future)

As usual, I pasted them on pebbles and put them into storage bags, as Sylphy asked me.

“Danna-sama, those pebbles are?”

“Aah, I temporarily paste the Skills I cut onto them”

“...Fumu, I see! Mn? Come to think of it, those stones are placed in the bath, right?”

As expected, she noticed the existence of the pebbles.

...Well, of course you’d have questions when there are pebbles placed in the bathroom.

Aisha surely noticed them as well.

I explained to her what a continuous-type Skill is, and how I put in hot water into the bath.

“!! Such Skills exist!?”

Well, of course she’d be surprised.

Even I was surprised when I first saw it...

I handed a pebble with [Continuous: Water] on it to Sylphy.

“Here, this”

“It, it’s real!? Water’s gradually coming out from it!!

Is this... the so-called magic water?

I thought that it was certainly water Danna-sama made with a Skill, but...”

Ending our conversation, we rushed into the boss room.

Name: Exusia • Slime

LV: 16

Race: Slime family

Gender: None

[Skill]

[Ability]

Mollusk • Prison

The moment we entered the boss room, Sylphy aimed at the boss and broke into a run.

Aah, you don't need to go that far to imitate Aisha!
I stole its ability in a panic, and pasted it onto a pebble.

You might as well drop an item for me!
Before Sylphy defeated it, let's deal a blow.

If I do that, we might get something good with [Probability].
I picked up a pebble, and launched [Finger Bullet] at the Exusia Slime.

At the same time the pebble hit it, I could see Sylphy using [Martial Art: Sharpness Sword].

Ah, it died...
It was a one-hit knockout, huh.

Well, that's natural, I guess, seeing that she used such a strong weapon like Linus Sword to activate [Martial Arts: Sharpness Sword].

Hm?... Wait a minute, Linus Sword?

"How's that! Danna-sama! I defeated the boss in one hit!"

Throwing out her chest a little in pride, Sylphy sent a smile and called out to me.

"Un, I saw it! You were really cool!!"

While saying that, I ran up to Sylphy.

"Look!"

Saying that, she held "Exusia Oil" and "Exusia Cape" in both hands and showed them to me.

Un, [Probability] probably had a hand in this, right?
With this, I can hand “Exusia Cape” over to both Aisha and Sylphy!

“Sylphy should take both of them!
Share and use the oil together with Aisha, okay?”

“Yeah, I understand!”

“By the way, Sylphy, I forgot to say it, but...
That Linus Sword actually has an exclusive martial art attached to it.
It’s called [Martial art: Sacrifice • Zwei]”

“Ooh!!”

For some reason, Sylphy happily swung Linus Sword around.

It’s a drop from the Troll Gazer after all...
It’s originally a monster which is defeated by an aliance.

Well, I guess it being a first-class weapon is natural in a sense.

“Yosh, Danna-sama! Let’s go on to the next one, the next one!!”

Sylphy’s strangely excited, isn’t she...

“Un, well then, let’s go to B1”

#Dungeon of Strength, B1

Other than gathering Skills, there’s nothing profitable in our journey on this floor as well.
Let’s quickly head towards the boss room.

If we’re lucky, we might get another Speed Shoes!
In that case, I can also use it.

Such being the case, we proceeded to the boss room by brute force.

The last time, there was Aisha as the main long distance attacker, and there's the fact that it was our first time here, so we proceeded cautiously, but this time, my partner is Sylphy, who fights in close-combat.

While using [Presense Detection • Large], we ran quickly and if there was a response from an enemy, we would floor it.

We even got close to a power ogre the moment it used [Rock Crash], and killed it instantly with martial arts, so it wasn't anything miraculous. *(TLN: Author renamed it from slash to crash)*

My Lightning Edge and Sylphy's Linus Sword are labyrinth weapons, so they have overwhelming power.

"Phew, as expected, I'm a little tired"

"...Yeah, we'll be at the boss room in a while, so let's take a little rest there"

After a few minutes, we fortunately did not clash with monsters, and finally arrived at the boss room.

...Huh? Somehow, this feels like deja vu.

"Hm? Danna-sama... a lot of people are gathering here for some reason?"

As I took a look around... who I found was... Cass-san from "Soaring Sandstorm".

Does that mean, that they haven't gotten any Speed Shoes since then!?

Wait a minute? It's been quite a while since then, you know?

Cass-san who noticed us coming here called out to us.

"Oh? The lad from before and... Hm? If isn't Miss Princess Knight?

Why's a princess in such a place? And how's Aisha?" *(TLN: Yup. He used casual speech.)*

Cass-san rapidly fired me some questions.

Well, you'd normally be surprised, though not to the level of the knight at the entrance...

“Hm, Cass-dono, huh?

Come to think of it, Aisha said that you came here to get Speed Shoes...”

As Sylphy said that, Cass-san frightening face distorted even more.

“Aah, we seem to be really unlucky.

...We never encountered a Cocka • Grice.

It’s almost a month since we were in here, huh...”

...Aisha said that there is no need to care, but it really feels awkward.

His Clan members also seem to be less spirited than before.

“Is Missy and this lad aiming for the boss? It seems like there’s only the two of you again, though...”

“Yeah, our aim is to proceed until the boss on the next floor”

As Sylphy said that, Cass-san shouted.

“What did you say!!? The boss on the next floor is... a Troll Gazer, right!?

Missy, are you insane? That guy isn’t something you can just somehow manage to beat with cheap tricks, you know!?

If you don’t exterminate it in one go with overwhleming power, it’ll immediately recover.

It’s absolutely impossible with just two people!!! It’s impossible to even attempt it”

“No, well, the last time Danna-sama and Aisha defeated it with just the two of them, you know?

This sword is proof of that, it’s a drop from the Troll Gazer”

“What!!?”

After Cass-san sent a fleeting glance at Linus Sword, he looked at me with astonished eyes.

Uu, I feel a little uncomfortable...

“What in the world are you... Hm? Wait, did you just say Danna-sama? You’re married,

Missy?"

"Aah, Aisha and I were just married to Danna-sama.
Also, we established a Clan with the three of us. Best regards, Cass"

"...Taking the Sacred Bow and Princess Knight as wives, you say?
...Good work having Alto and the King to approve of you"

...Aah, I see.
If they had been shutting themselves up in here for a month, then it's not strange that he doesn't know about our marriage.

"Aah, Cass should quickly find a good wife and get married.
Marriage is good, you know, since your body and soul will be enriched!"

"Guh"

Huh? If I remember correctly, Cass-san is 33 years old, but it seems that he's single.
Saying that plainly... Sylphy, isn't that statement bad?

He seemed to have let out a "Guh", so isn't he bothered about it?

F, forr now, I should change the topic!

"Since you seem to be taking a break, will it be alright for us to enter first?"

"...Yeah, I don't mind.
This happened before, so I think it'll be alright, but be careful.
I've seen many who lost their lives due to their pride"

"Yes! Thank you very much!"

I thanked him spiritedly, gripped Sylphy's hand and headed towards the boss room with quick steps.
And then, with a soft voice

"...Sylphy, you can't do that! Cass-san might be worrying about marriage, you know?"

"Hm? Is he? Yeah, it certainly seems like it.

No, sorry, I seem to have been a little too ecstatic...”

The “Soaring Sandstorm” looked at us with eyes as if saying ‘Don’t say unnecessary stuff’.

While apologising in my mind, we rushed into the boss room.

Name: Cocka • Grice

LV: 37

Race: Bird family

Gender: –

[Skill]

Rush

[Ability]

Flying Feather

Petrifaction

...

I’m really sorry, Cass-san.

“Hm? Isn’t that guy the one Cass is aiming for?”

Yes, no doubt about that.

For now, let’s steal its Skill and Abilities.

“I’ve already stolen its troublesome Skills, so we can go at it whenever”

“Understood, Danna-sama”

Saying that, Sylphy readied her Linus Sword.

Just like before, I’ll take the initiative with magic.

“Well then, Sylphy. Rush into it after I preemptively attack it with magic, okay?”

“Understood”

Activating [Sorcery Extremity LV2], I threw [Magic • Fire] at it just like before.

After [Magic • Fire] landed on it, Sylphy charged at the enraged Cocka • Grice. Sylphy's body shone with a pale light from the activation of a Skill.

The Cocka • Grice brought down its sharp beak, but intercepted it with Linnus Sword without dodging it.

“Eat this! [Martial Art: Sacrifice • Zwei]!!!”

With Sylphy's shout, an emerald green light shone from the Linus Sword, the Cocka • Grice's face including its beak was cut right in half.

The fight didn't end with just that, as the sword which had been raised overhead fell downwards at a high speed, and hit the base of the throat.

As a result, the part above its body and neck was cut, and its large body tumbled down along with a wham.

“...It's my first time seeing Sylphy seriously fight, but it's different from what I thought...”

Un, I thought her fighting style would be more magnificent, but if I had to say, then it gives off an image of brute force.

You could even say that she fights by relying on Skills, but rather than me, she has the basics of combat so she doesn't have wasted movements.

Let's memorise the way she moved her body.
It'll surely be useful to me.

“How's that! Danna-sama! I defeated it!”

With a wide smile, she waved her hand at me.

“Un, good work! As expected of the Princess Knight!”

Hearing my words, Sylphy showed me a delighted smile.
It's really a great smile! I'm liking her more and more!!

While thinking such a thing, I stored the Cocka • Grice's corpse.

Then, the important drops...

It dropped...

Name: Ciel Soulier

Agility: +25

Grade: Ultra

Attribute: Wind

Special Effects: Movement Speed 3 Up

Air Walk

Moreover, there's two of them...

[Probability LV2] is incredible.

Ah, wait a minute.

We now have three Ciel Soulier's, which means that the Speed Shoes Aisha has is unnecessary now, right?

...I wonder if I should sell it to Cass-san.

Being in such a place for one month was probably mentally rough on them.

Un, once we defeat the next boss, the Troll Gazer, I'll try talking.

"Yosh, the next one will be the last! Let's do our best without losing our focus"

#Dungeon of Strength, B2

I got [Regeneration], [Magic Eye of Shock] and [Strong Arm • Extreme] on this floor. All of them are useful Skills, and since we've come all the way here, I'm thinking that I should get as many as I can.

We proceeded directly towards the boss room, but with [Presence Detection • Large] and [Sight Enhancement • Moderate], we avoided battles to the best we can and I only stole Skills.

Like that, our battles are kept to the minimum and we finally arrived at the boss room.
Basically, I almost didn't fight at all this time.

Sylphy slayed the monsters which appeared.
I only crammed their corpses into the storage bag.

However, I will have to fight with all my strength against this boss.

Somehow or other, the Sylphy right now seems like she could corner the Troll Gazer,
but we can't let our guards down.
Cass-san also said it before, after all.

"Sylphy, I will fight at full strength against this boss.
I will use the same Skill I used to defeat the Orc king, so can Sylphy become the backup
this time?"

"Yeah, understood"

Un, let's go then.

Name: Troll Magister

LV: 46

Race: Demon race

Gender:

[Skill]

Ultra Regeneration

Magic Eye of Paralysis

Unique Magic • Lightning

Sorcery Extremity

[Ability]

None

"Fua!?"

What the!?! This isn't a Troll Gazer!
Is this perhaps a rare boss!?

...What in the world is a Troll Magister.

Judging from its Skills, it's probably a magic using type of troll?

This is extremely bothersome.

I feel that I'll have a hard time getting close to it, let alone fighting in close combat, and it seems like I won't be able to move if I receive the Magic Eye of Paralysis.

This is difficult, I won't win if I go at it directly...

Well, for now, let's steal its Skill.

As long as I steal its Skills, then it won't be much different from a Gazer.

"...Sylphy, that seems to be a rare boss.

I Appraised it, and it's a Troll Magister"

"...I've never heard of it"

"For now, I'll go"

I confirmed that Sylphy took some distance, and I used my Skills in one go.

[Body Enhancement • Large] [Arm Strength Enhancement • Extreme] [Leg Strength Enhancement • Small] [Strong Arm • Extreme] [Strong Arm • Saint] [Strength Rise]

My whole body was enveloped in light like a pale flame.

I then created Twirling with [Realize], and started running towards the Troll Magister immediately.

The Troll Magister who noticed me was probably trying to use its Skills.

As nothing happened when it rose its arm overhead, its movements stopped.

I activated [Magic Eye of Shock], and when my opponent was staggering, I rushed into its bosom in one go.

"Eat this! Martial Art: Shark Glow!!"

Just like the Troll Gazer, a loud explosion sound resounded, and it was cut up right in

half.

Looking at Twirling which disappeared along with some light, I then stored the Troll Magister's corpse.

"Phew, I wonder if His Highness Lewis will buy this?"

While muttering such a thing, I checked the dropped items.

Name: Linus Fork

Attack: + 60

Grade: Ultra

Attribute: Light

Effective against: Ghost

Martial Art: Rominias • Impact

...It's an ultra grade pike.

This also has an exclusive martial art, huh.

I don't have anyone who uses a spear within my family.

Let's just put it away for now.

"Phew, thank you for your hard work!"

"...Your power's as terrifying as usual..."

I thought that I was a little closer to Danna-sama, but... I still have a long way to go"

For now, we've achieved our goal.

Let's stop by Cass-san's place and return to the inn.

Since we're staying over in the end, this time, I paid for two days beforehand.



Joining hands with Sylphy, we walked to the Silver Bell Pavilion.

...For some reason, the people of "Soaring Sandstorm" with Cass-san leading them are following us in succession from behind.

After that time, we moved to a place a little further from B1's boss room with [Unique Magic • Space-time], and when talking about selling Speed Shoes to Cass-san, he gratefully accepted it to the point of surprise.

Before long, we arranged for them to come get it at my house in Lucas, and we separated... or so we were supposed to...

The people from "Soaring Sandstorm" who heard that they don't need to hole themselves inside the dungeon anymore escaped the dungeon with us.

When we said that we will be returning to the Silver Bell Pavilion, they started saying, "Let's stay at there too then", and this is the result.

Cass-san probably endured quite a lot of stress as well.
He started talking to Sylphy and I.

It's a secret that in the end, Sylphy was enraged and drove them away quite a bit.



While both of us soaked in the bath, we talk about today's events.

"Phew, my fatigue's going away"

"Yeah, it really is"

"How is it? Are you satisfied now?"

As I asked that, Sylphy smiled widely and said "Yeah, I'm satisfied!"

Un, there's nothing happier as a husband with her saying that!

After that, we washed the other's backs, and after messing around for a while, we got out from the bath.

After getting out from the bath, we naturally slept together.
...This is very blissful.

Name: Sylphid Fortuna

Race: Hume

LV: 28 (28→69) LevelUp!

Gender: Female

Age: 19 years old

Occupation: Princess Knight | Change!

CHAPTER 102

THINGS REGARDING THE CLAN

We were able to finish the wedding ceremony without any incidents, except for our mental fatigue.

The people of the royal family.

The people of the temple.

...And above all, the general public who live in the royal capital, all of them celebrated our wedding.

Of course, there's probably a great deal of people who do not accept our marriage and are not pleased with it.

Even so, I am delighted from the bottom of my heart at the fact that a crowd of people congratulated us with smiles.

I am really, really blessed.

Kami-sama who had given me the chance to obtain this happiness.

My two wonderful wives who married me.

To all the people who had anything to do with me, thank you!

"I'm glad that it went without a hitch"

Aisha who felt the pressure of the crowd during the marriage like me, talked with a genuine relieved expression.

"...Un, I am happy that a lot of people congratulated us, but as expected, it's really tiring"

As I was being lazy by reclining on the couch, Aisha came and sat on my right side. She then leaned her body on mine and similarly started lazied herself.

“Fufu, we really match each other, don’t we!”

Come to think of it, it’s been a long time since I flirted with Aisha like this, hasn’t it?

While entwining her own arm with mine, we leisurely chatted, and Sylphy who went to King-sama’s place returned to the room.

“That’s unfair!!”

Declaring her dissatisfaction at us flirting with all her strength, she jumped to my left which had been empty.

With flowers on both hands, it’s weird for me to say this but... we passed the time in supreme bliss with really great smiles.

...Eh, Waffle?

Un, Waffle is yawning on my head as always.

It seems that one won’t feel anything even if one looked at males and females of another species flirting, so he doesn’t change even while looking at us.

In the end, we continued flirting until Ari arrived.



“Now then, your wedding ceremony has been successfully completed, so you’ll firstly have something like a break.

However, there are still various things that you have to decide on”

We were summoned by King-sama, and heard about such a thing.

Things we must decide on? I wonder what it is... We even decided on the house name already... I don’t think there’s anything in particular, though?

His Majesty probably noticed my expression, as if saying “Huh?”.

King-sama wryly smiled and continued speaking.

“You are establishing a clan, are you not?

I will of course give you permission, just as I have said, but you cannot officially

register without deciding on a Clan name, no?" (TLN:... Okay, it seems that I made a mistake with the previous 'clan name'. The previous ones seem to be House Name, or Myne's family's surname. Clan name is a different one, like how Cass' name isn't Cass Soaring Sandstorm orz)

...Ah!

That's true.

Clan name, huh, somehow, it seems like we are deciding on a lot of names these days. Waffle's name, House name, and now Clan name...

And, must that be decided now?

It shouldn't be something which has to be decided in a flash, huh.

"...King-sama, may I please have some time on deciding it?"

"Fumu, as expected, it's too harsh to tell you to decide it right now.

Alright then, report as soon as you decide on it.

The room you are staying in right now will always be available.

Use that magic to transfer here"

Having gotten King-sama's approval, and time, we need to have a third family meeting, huh.

However, have already received a request from the country, so we'll have to decide ahead of time.

"Also, you are now one of the nobles, although a new one.

I think that it is rare, but there might be other nobles and the like who will visit you.

For that, your current house is unfavourable in a lot of ways.

What are your plans on that?"

Sylphy answered King-sama's question.

"The Clan House is currently in construction, so we were planning on making the second floor the Fortuna House's center of foreign affairs"

Un, Sylphy did propose such a thing when we decided on constructing the Clan House. I, however, do not know much about nobles' residences, so Sylphy and Craftsman discussed and drew a plan together.

Craftsman and the others should be working hard right now.

“Oh, you’ve thought this through, haven’t you? There shouldn’t be a problem then. What are your plans for the Clan’s reception and staff?”

Staff? If it’s a receptionist, then isn’t Aisha a professional at it? She’s the Adventurer’s Guild’s popular receptionist, after all.

“...Myne, let me set this straight, Aisha-dono isn’t staff, alright?”

Brother-in-law-san saw through me, and reminded me.

U~n, what should we do then?
I haven’t talked with them about this...

While I was racking my brains, Aisha started speaking.

“...I have an idea...
Did you not receive a report from Bazam Hathaway, Lucas’ guild leader?”

Hm? An idea... are we going to poach a receptionist from the guild?

“Lucas’ guild leader...! Ah, are you referring to that? I did receive it, but...
Wait!? By idea, do you mean the girl mentioned in the report!?”

“Yes, I was thinking that it would be most convenient for our Clan to shelter her. Is it alright?”

Hm? Hm? Hm?? A conversation I have absolutely no idea about started between Aisha and King-sama.

I thought I was the only one out of the loop, but it seems that Sylphy too doesn’t understand what they are talking about.

She’s tilting her head from one side to another.

Ah! Brother-in-law-san seems like he knows.
He suddenly made a surprised expression.

“...Aisha-dono, about that”

Brother-in-law-san is unusually trembling.
I wonder what it's about?

King-sama shut his eyes and went into deep thought.
Aisha did not say anything else, and seems to be waiting for King-sama to collect his thoughts.

...We were enveloped in a heavy mood for five minutes.

“Fuu, alright. It isn't unreasonable.
I was thinking of sheltering her in the royal capital, but there are too many people there. It'd probably be less conspicuous over here.
If she's here, then we'll be able to watch over her from a close distance, and above all, Myne's here”

Yup, I understood absolutely nothing!

Hearing what King-sama said, Aisha let out a sigh of relief.

“If that's the case however, wouldn't you need one more person to be a permanent guard?”

“...That's certainly true”

“Very well, I'll select one for you.
Myne, Sylphy, you have no objections, right?”

Objections, you say... I don't even understand what's going on...
Well, Aisha seems to understand, and King-sama isn't bothered by our choice of personnel, so there isn't a particular reason to be opposed to it, right?

“...Honestly, I don't understand, but I shall leave it to you”

As I said that, King-sama nodded his head, and this talk came to a close.

“Now then, the other matters aren't that urgent, so I'll talk to you about it when you report on your Clan's name.

It's about time for you to return to Lucas, no? You'll be returning by carriage, for the commoners to see"

With those words, we ended the meeting, and we'll finally be returning to Lucas.



...Right now, we are in an extremely gorgeous carriage prepared by King-sama, and are on our way home.

There isn't much vibration, and the travelling speed is extremely fast, just like when we came to the capital.

At this rate, we might be able to arrive at Lucas before the day is over.

Now then, I'll have to ask Aisha about the exchange between King-sama and her.

"...Hey, Aisha..."

"Yes, I know... The person coming to our Clan..."

...I wonder who it is?

CHAPTER 103

LUCAS' BLESSINGS

“Yes, I know... The person coming to our Clan...”

My heart's pounding a little...

I wonder if she's someone I know??

“It's Amy-san”

...huh?

Who in the world is this Amy-san?

I wonder if Sylphy knows her?

Thinking that, I glanced at Sylphy, but as I expected, she made a confused expression, as if asking “Who?”.

Looking at our dumbfounded expressions, Aisha clapped her hand and let out an ‘Ah.’.

“Huh, don't you remember her?... Well, it's not that unreasonable either, I guess. She's the girl that was detained in the orc settlement, the girl Myne-kun saved”

Ah, now that she mentioned it, that might have been her name.

I've completely forgotten about it, seeing that we've never met since then and the fact that I've only heard her name once.

But why her?

I feel like in King-sama and Aisha's conversation, there were subjects like shelter and message from the guild leader, among other things.

As doubt surfaced in my mind, Sylphy asked Aisha the exact same thing I was just thinking about.

“Chichiue said something about sheltering her. What does he mean by that?”

“...U~n, can we leave that until we return home?
It’s not something I can say in a public place...”

It seems to be something quite serious, doesn’t it?
I’m starting to feel a little uneasy...

“For now, let’s stop by at the Adventurer’s Guild after reaching Lucas.
I need to pass the letter King-sama entrusted me with to the guild leader”

...Amy-san, huh. When I saved her, I’ve only been thinking about how I was going to
hide my Skills from Sylphy and Aisha, so I don’t have much of an impression of her.

Come to think of it, why was she captured by the orcs?
Perhaps, this matter may be related to that.

Well, no use thinking about it.
All will be solved after we return! Let’s just enjoy the ride for now.

It’s not every day that you get to sit in such an extravagant carriage, after all!

Brushing Waffle’s fur, drinking black tea made by Sylphy...
...Flirting with the three of us.

As we did that, we arrived at the Town of Lucas in the blink of an eye.

As might be expected of a royalty’s carriage, the gazes of the people lining up were
concentrated on us as soon as we entered the town, and we slowly got off from the
carriage.

Realising that it was us who alighted the carriage, several people applauded us.

““““Congratulations on your marriage!”““““

With that applause as a start, the surrounding people understood who we were, and
one by one, applause spread through them like a wave.

We bowed deeply and waved our hands at the people who were clapping for us, and

slowly made our way to the town's entrance.

Just as we entered, Edgar-san, the gatekeeper I am acquainted with similarly clapped his hands and called out to me.

"Myne!! Grats on your wedding!

With this, you're also an adult now, aren't you!!! Dyne-san's definitely delighted.

I feel that it'll be hard on you from now on, but keep at it!

I'll give you advice if anything happens! Just call out to me whenever!"

Somehow, I feel really shy when an acquaintance speaks about my marriage.

Edgar-san is the same as usual.

He's indebted to Otou-san, so he's always concerned about me.

He's someone I know since I was small, so there's this feeling of a brother from him.

"Your Highness Sylphy, congratulations on your marriage.

Although Myne looks like this, he's a dependable person.

I pray that you will have an everlasting marriage"

Edgar-san said that and bowed at Sylphy.

"You're called Edgar? Raise your head.

We'll probably be in your favour from now on.

Danna-sama, Aisha and I shall be relying on you from now on as well"

Saying that, Sylphy bowed her head at Edgar-san.

Although she's a former princess, the surrounding people clamoured at Sylphy, a royalty, lowering her head at a mere gatekeeper.

Sylphy then turned around, and shouted loudly at the crowd.

"Everyone, thank you very much for your blessings!

I shall be relying on you from now on! Please take care of me!"

Saying that, she once again lowered her head.

Aisha and I also bowed.

As we did that, applause once again resounded.

Un! I feel really happy and grateful for some reason,..... I really am grateful to all of them!!

Thanks everyone!!!!

“...By the way, Myne”

Edgar-san called out to me.
I wonder what’s wrong??

“...What’s that little fox riding on your head?”

Ah, it’s the first time Waffle’s been to Lucas, huh.

“This is Waffle, he’s a part of our family!
Please take care of Waffle as well!!”

As I bowed again, Waffle greeted Edgar-san by dextrously lifting his front paw, even as he clung onto me so as not to fall.

“Wafu!”

Once again, Waffle’s greeting created a stir.
...Un, with this, Waffle’s degree of recognition should have been raised.



Even after entering the city, we were greeted with blessings as we passed by people.
We can’t just treat everyone’s goodwill with disdain.

Our whole family politely thanked them as we walked.

Usually, it wouldn’t even take five minutes to reach the guild, but it took us 20 minutes to finally arrive.

It was really tiring, but from now on’s the crucial part.
Let’s do this.

...But seriously, nobody would have thought that it'd be this tiring to come to the guild after entering the town...

In a sense, diving into a labyrinth might feel better than this.

Even in the guild, the hospitality continued.

The leading part in this place is naturally Aisha's.

She's the former popular receptionist at the Adventurer's Guild, and she was a B-rank adventurer.

There's no way she isn't welcomed.

"Ooh, if it isn't Aisha-chan!"

As soon as we entered the guild, an adventurer said that in a loud voice.

"Oh? Did you just say Aisha-chan!?"

"...It really is her! As beautiful as usual, aren't you!!"

"Wait, is she becoming a receptionist again!? Seriously? Yasss!"

"...You idiot, don't you know that Aisha-chan's married?"

""""What did you just say ! ! ! !""""

"In the first place, didn't she say that she stopped working on marriage?"

"...Aah, you're lying... Please, tell me that you're lyinggggggg!!"

"My... My... goddess has been defiledddddddd"

...Rather than call this a welcome, it's more of chaos, isn't it.

Well, I knew what kind of place the Adventurer Guild is, but...

The situation becoming this chaotic...

Within the uproar, an outrageously loud voice resounded in the guild.

"You guys! Shut the hell up a little, won'cha!!!"

...Err, you're the loudest one here though...

I wonder whose voice it is. I feel like I've heard it before...

The adventurers who were crowded in the lobby separated neatly into two.

At the end of the path made from the separation was the owner of the voice.

Yes, in a bad mood, the guild leader stood in a daunting pose, arms folded, as he scowled at us.



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